

HANCE PTO MINUTES
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2007

ATTENDEES

Emily Willard	Sharon Marfisi
Nikki Woodrow	Wendy McCarthy
Michelle Gierl	Nancy Buszinski
Jen Nicotra	Shelley Schurer
Kim Smelser	Kathy Bauer
Ann Allan	Judy Smith
Suzie Schietroma	Debbie Zafur
Colleen Gelstan	Adriana Alatorre
Mary Beth Marchionda	Jennifer Bissell

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. President's Report –Emily Willard – She distributed last month's minutes and asked everyone to review them. The minutes were approved.
- B. Principal's Report - Dr. Pysch mentioned the dates for Grandparents Day and Open House. He noted that the first quarter will end October 31st. The after school math program has been delayed in starting, but should begin soon. He thanked Mrs. Wentz for her help with the MS Walk and noted that it went very well. The two weeks of testing is also over and he encouraged everyone to read the Flash.
- C. Vice President's Report
- D. Secretary's Report – thank yous from the teachers were distributed and she asked new committee chairs to update her with their e-mail addresses.
- E. Treasurer's Report – See Report dated October 4, 2007.

II. COMMITTEES

- A. Friday Flash – 619 e-mails are registered and only 2 families need to receive a hard copy; deadline is Wednesday at 12:00.
- B. HPTO Website – Bob George is now running the website.
- C. Fantastic Fun Friday – Spirit Day 10/5; November 2 will be Steeler Day.
- D. Market Day – contest this month can earn books for the school
- E. Fall Fundraiser – sale ends 10/10; needs help with distribution.
- F. Directory Sales – there is a backup with printing and hopefully directories will be distributed next week.
- G. Grandparents/Grandfriends Day – there are enough volunteers; it was noted that parents are welcome to come if their child does not have grandparents attending; help is needed with baking muffins.
- H. Hance Store – the new placement of the store caused traffic to build up in the lobby; K, 1 and 2 will now be on Tuesdays and 3, 4 and 5 will be on Thursdays; will get some Hance or PR items and volunteers are needed.
- I. Open House – PTO will have tables in the lobby with info, spirit wear, etc. Parents were reminded to visit their childrens' special rooms.

- J. Book Fair – help is needed on the evenings of Open House.
- K. After School Programs – sign language and tae kwon do were cancelled due to low response
- L. Cash for Trash
 - a. Box Tops – contest ends next Friday 10/12 and the next contest will run until January; details will be in the Flash
 - b. Campbell Soup Labels – with redemption, the school received soccer and footballs, jump ropes and other items for recess
 - c. Giant Eagle Points – the link for registering Advantage Cards will be up next week
 - d. Ink Cartridges – collection in lobby; benefits Hance habitat
- M. Holiday Shop – will decorate this year; looking for Christmas items; will be held in the art room and everything will be \$1
- N. Leaders Club – for 5th grade; help with Outreach Program
- O. Yearbook – sale begins in November; will be \$10 and in full color this year
- P. Assemblies – 10/16 - Gateway to the Arts
- Q. Popcorn Dayz – last month they sold 1 bag per child and made \$109; fruit snacks will be offered to children with popcorn allergies;
- R. Pizza Bingo Night – volunteers are needed for planning and the day of the event; being held on 11/16 at 6:30; bake sale will still be held
- S. Annie’s Workshop – going very well
- T. Spirit Apparel Sale – was distributed today; if there were errors please contact Nancy; the sale went well; there were 60 sales; next sale will be around Thanksgiving and orders will be in for Christmas
- U. Birthday Board – board is up and looks very nice
- V. Fifth Grade Picnic/Fun Nights – events are being planned
- W. Book It – program has begun
- X. Sound System – item is on back order

III. DISCUSSION/VOTING

- A. Halloween Parties – binders are with the Chairpersons; AM Kindergarten will parade in the 1st grade rooms
- B. Pep rally – went very well and will be the last one held at Hance as they will move pep rallies to the UES.
- C. Skating Party – Still needs a Chairperson.

V. UPCOMING DATES

- A. October 5 – Popcorn Dayz/Spirit Day for Fantastic Fun Friday
- B. October 8 – No School (Columbus Day)
- C. October 10 – School Fundraiser ends
- D. October 11 – Grandparents’ Day for Grades K, 1 and 2 (9:30 – 10:30)
 - 1. PM Kindergarten will be from 1:30-2:30
- E. October 12 – Grandparents Day for grades 3, 4 and 5 (9:30-10:30)
- F. October 11 – Market Day Pick-up
- G. October 12 – Pine Richland Homecoming
- H. October 15 – Vision Screening

- I. October 19 – Picture Day
- J. October 22 week – Book Fair (and during Open Houses)
- K. October 23 – Open House grades K and 3 (6-7)
- L. October 24 – Open House grades 2 and 4 (6-7)
- M. October 25 – Open House grades 1 and 5 (6-7)
- N. October 31 - Halloween – Elementary Costume Parties and Parades
 - 1. Party Mom’s ONLY 1:25 pm
 - 2. Parade 1:40 – 2:00 pm
 - 3. Party 2:00 – 2:55 pm
- O. October 31 – End of First Nine Weeks
- P. November 1 – HPTO Meeting 7 PM – Guest Speaker – Dr. Manley
- Q. November 2 – FFF/Popcorn Dayz
- R. November 7 – report cards are issued
- S. November 8/9 – Fundraising Pick-up at conferences
- T. November 8 – Parent Conferences (Half Day for Students)
- U. November 9 – Parent Conferences (No School for Students)
- V. November 12 – Hearing Screening
- W. November 22, 23, 26 – Thanksgiving break
- X. November 26 – Seasons of celebrations begin at Hance
- Y. November 29, 30 and December 1 – Holiday Shop