

HANCE PTO MINUTES
THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2009

ATTENDEES

Suzie Schietroma	Jen Nicotra
Kathy Bauer	Sabrina George
Linda Romano	Nancy Buszinski
Nikki Woodrow	Michelle Gierl
Margaret Lacek	Rosie O'Grady Ravish
Helen McCarthy	Kim Smelser
Ann Allen	Jane Gessner
Shelly Zirckel	Caryn Loehr
Julia Vidic	Tammy Godino
Monica Slingluff	Jen Valentic
Suzie Schietroma	Janet Briski

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. President's Report –Kathy Bauer & Sabrina George – she introduced herself and thanked everyone for attending the meeting. The positions of Treasurer and Vice President will be vacant next year if anyone was interested.
- B. Principal's Report – Dr. Pysch – 1/16 and 1/19 will be in-service days. The end of the second nine weeks will end 1/15 with report cards going out on the 27th.
- C. Vice President's Report – Michelle Gierl & Nikki Woodrow
- D. Secretary's Report – Amy Snyder- Thank yous were distributed. Minutes from November were reviewed and a motion was made by Kathy Bauer, seconded by Nikki Woodrow to approve the minutes.
- E. Treasurer's Report- Margaret Lacek – She reviewed the treasury report and noted that the Holiday Shop had a net profit of \$1,712 and January's expenses indicates sales tax that needed to be remitted since Jaxco did not collect sales tax for the fall fundraiser, but Hance as the seller needed to. This amount was about \$400. she also noted that she will not be returning as Treasurer next year, but has written out the duties in great detail so the next person will know what to do. She reviewed the options of applying for 501c3 status and/or becoming incorporated. The group decided that they will get advice from outside sources and also speak with Administration as to whether this should be a district-wide decision. Since the PTO does not currently have this status, it is a conflict of interest for Margaret Lacek to continue to be the Treasurer. She concluded that she would need to resign her position. Julia Vidic made a motion which was seconded by Rosie O'Grady Ravish for her to resign her position. The motion was unanimous. Nancy Buszinski will take over the Treasurer position until the end of the year and she will also look into some sort of

insurance coverage for the PTO so that we may not have to become Incorporated.

- II. GUEST SPEAKERS- Tammy Godino described the differences between an Assisted and an Individual Volunteer. She mentioned that an Assisted volunteer is a person that works with the students, while the teacher is present and an Individual Volunteer is one who can work with students without the presence of a teacher. She also noted that volunteers for After School Activities do not need to be an Independent Volunteer.

III. COMMITTEES

- A. After School Programs – Christine’s will be back doing 2 sessions each four weeks plus one other program. The dates for these will be coming out soon.
- B. Author’s Workshop – Monica Slingluff noted that the author this year, Karen Williams is local and she will be at the school 2/25. she is hoping to be able to get a copy of one of her books for each classroom and would like to offer the children an opportunity to buy her book if they would like. She will be doing 4 assemblies for each grade.
- C. Assemblies – 3/6 will be the Aviary. They will be bringing a live penguin.
- D. Cash for Trash – Linda Romano noted that a check from Box Tops will be coming soon for \$1,869 and there will be a contest in February for the classrooms.
- E. FFF – 1/9 Steeler Day.
- F. Ice Skating Party – 1/19. admission \$6 and skate rental \$3.
- G. Market Day – Delivery 1/22. Nikki Woodrow noted that she is looking into purchasing a freezer for the PTO office to hold orders that were not picked up. The teachers commented that they may order from Market Day if they would be able to pick up their orders the next day and the freezer would be able to keep their food frozen. It would be purchased from profits from Market Day sales. A motion was made by Rosie O’Grady Ravish, seconded by Suzie Schietroma to purchase a 14.1 cubic foot upright freezer from Lowe’s for \$398.
- H. Movie Night – 2/27. \$1 per person with a maximum of \$5 per family. Popcorn and other concession stand items will be sold. Doors open at 6:30 and the movie starts at 7:00. there are a few G rated movies they are thinking of showing and they are going to let the children vote on which movie they would like to see.
- I. Outreach – Hat & Mitten drive went very well. The box will now be used to collect used games that can be donated to classrooms for indoor recess.
- J. Popcorn Days – 1/9.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Jen Valentic suggested having a book swap where children will bring in books from home that they are finished with and exchange them for other books brought in by other children. They will be able to take as many books as they have donated. The idea will be brought up at the Teacher Liasion meeting to see what input the teachers had on the idea.

- B. Kathy Bauer asked if there were any other ideas that people would like to see the PTO do. Ideas for fundraising events were discussed and it was decided that a survey will be sent out so that families can have an input on what fundraisers are done in order to maximize participation.