

**HANCE PTO MINUTES
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2009**

ATTENDEES

Nikki Woodrow
Linda Romano
JoAnne Lazzaro
Kim Smelser
Amy Molenda
Rosie O'Grady Ravish
Lisa Lane
Aimee Pavlick
Mary Folmer
Kathy Bauer
Dr. Pysch
Dr. Mary Bucci

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. President's Welcome/Call to Order – Kathy Bauer and Nikki Woodrow thanked everyone for attending.
- B. Treasurer's Report: Amy Molenda stated that some upcoming expenditures would be the Ice Cream Social, Book Fair and Outreach. The current PTO bank balance is around \$14,000 +/-.
- C. Principal's Report: Dr. Pysch spoke about Grandparents Day on October 7th. There is around 350 grandparents/grandfriends coming in the a.m. session, and around 135 coming in the afternoon session. Discussion was held regarding a committee being formed to investigate making Grandparents Day a "milestone" event for grades 3 and 6 rather than all of the elementary grades. There is an In-Service Day on November 11 and November 12. October 29th marks the end of the 1st 9 weeks period. New Visitor procedures went into effect on October 1st. Visitors that are not Independent Volunteers will be required to leave their keys or license with the office when checking into the school. A 48 hour advance notice is required to speak to any teacher.
- D. Vice-President's Report: No report.
- E. Secretary's Report: No Report.

II. COMMITTEES

- A. Apples for the Students program – Nikki Woodrow stated through Giant Eagle our school was able last year to receive 4 camcorders and other smaller electronic items through this program. Individuals only need to register their Giant Eagle Card with Hances' code, 0417.

- B. Book Fair – Jo Anne Lazzaro reported that the book fair was going well, and had great expectations for doing more with the Ice Cream Social on October 2nd.
- C. Directory – Nikki Woodrow reported that these should be sent home on Monday. PTO does have additional copies.
- D. Family Movie Night – Kathy Bauer reported that the movie will be *Chicken Little* on October 16th. A bake sale will also be offered that evening to benefit Hance families in need.
- E. Fantastic Fun Friday – October 2nd is Crazy Hair Day.
- F. Fall Fundraiser – Nikki Woodrow and Kathy Bauer reported this began September 29th. Orders are due October 13th. There is a donation form, a catalog and cookies. Delivery will be November 12th.
- G. Friday Flash – Nikki Woodrow reported tomorrow's issue is a reminder issue but has new information and to please read it.
- H. Grandparents' Day – October 7. Suzie Schietroma is chairperson. In need of food donations for this day.
- I. Ice Cream Social – October 2. Kim Smelser is chairperson. Kim reported that ice cream will be served from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. There will be face painting and a balloon artist in the Gym. Also Kohl's will provide 5 people to help at this event and give the PTO \$500.00 in support of their Kohl's Care program.
- J. Market Day – Orders are due October 9. Delivery October 15.
- K. Outreach – *Make a Break for Make a Wish* raised approximately \$1,800.
- L. Popcorn Dayz – October 2. Volunteers are not needed for this Friday, but maybe needed for additional popcorn days.
- M. School Picture Day – October 16.
- N. Spiritwear Sale – Mary Folmer reported that there will be Hance t-shirts and Pine Richland Tote bags for sale at the Ice Cream Social. Cost is \$10.00 each.

III. MISC. ITEMS

- A. New Visitor Procedures
- B. Sunny D Book Spree – program details were given to teachers. Each classroom that collects 20 UPC labels from participating Sunny D products will receive 20 free Scholastic books for their classroom.
- C. Halloween candy collection – Monday through Friday after Halloween send in unwanted candy to the school. It will be collected and sent to the North Hills Outreach.

IV. GUEST SPEAKER: Dr. Mary Bucci – Pine Richland Superintendent

An open discussion was held and encompassed many areas of concerns. Some discussions were on special education network website and bus safety tips, Eden Hall, reading and math programs so that all children can learn at their own capacity to the longer school year and keeping the curriculum going through the last weeks of school. PTO would like to thank Dr. Bucci for listening to all of our concerns.