

# HANCE PTO MINUTES

Thursday, October 13, 2005

## I. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. Welcome and Call to Order Cathy Devor/Val Ostrowski  
All attendees were welcomed and introduced.
- B. Vice-Presidents' Reports
1. Homeroom Volunteers, Birthday Bulletin Board Sharon Marfisi  
Each classroom is set with 2 homeroom parents, and the first meeting has been held. The Birthday Bulletin Board will be relocated to make room for the KD Turkey Fund bulletin board. October notices have been sent for October birthdays. Children receive a coupon for the school store as a gift. The problem of children coming to the office for candy was addressed.
  2. Cafeteria Volunteers, CHIP ID Program Jennifer Bissell  
Corrine Steck is the new lunchroom coordinator. Harry's Helpers is up and running.  
We had 80% student participation for the CHIP program. Parents need to follow up by taking the DNA samples and sealing them in the bags provided. Please see the CHIP packet for instructions.
- C. Secretary's Report and Approval of Minutes Katie Kukieza  
September's minutes were unanimously approved.
- D. Treasurer's Report Brenda Stasko  
All checks for purchases made through Hance should be made out to "Hance PTO" unless otherwise noted.

## II. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Membership Caroline Halliday/Sharon Marfisi  
A total of 381 families (out of 471) joined the PTO.
- B. Ice Cream Social Laurel Anderson/Michele Schonbachler  
A profit of \$490. was made, and the bake sale raised \$400. for Katrina relief. An accompanying booth organized by Amy Paterline raised another \$400. for Katrina.
- C. Fall Fundraiser Tracy Reich  
This was a very successful fundraiser—profit details will follow. Orders are to be picked up on November 10<sup>th</sup> to coincide with Market Day pickup.
- D. Spirit Week/Fantastic Fun Friday Emily Willard  
Spirit Week at Hance was very well-received. On the "Spirit of Giving" day, \$850.00 was raised for Katrina relief. The next FFF will be on November 4<sup>th</sup> and the children are to wear their favorite color shirt.
- E. Spirit Apparel: Pick-up at Open Houses Nancy Colamarino/Katie Kukieza  
Details on the sale will follow. Pickup is during Open House scheduled times.
- F. Market Day Brigid Christenson  
November pickup is November 10<sup>th</sup>. This will coincide with the fundraiser pickup.
- G. PTO Family Directory Sabrina George  
The directory is in the process of being copied and will be available shortly.
- H. Hance Happenings: Deadline is Oct. 21 Nicole Grosskinsky  
New e-mail address: [ngrosskinsky@zoominternet.net](mailto:ngrosskinsky@zoominternet.net)
- I. Book Fair: Oct. 17-21 Mary Pyle/ Kim Mullen/Tracy Reich  
The children will attend the Book Fair during their regularly scheduled library periods. The Fair will also be open during evening Open Houses. A program called "One for Books" will be implemented to bring books to children in need.

We are also partnering with Vic Pitre Elementary School in Louisiana to assist in rebuilding their library after Hurricane Katrina destroyed it.

J. Outreach Emily Willard

November: KD Turkey Fund Read-a-Thon/Hometown Hello!

December: Giving Tree (hats and mittens)

Details to follow on both projects.

K. Yearbook Regan Shebeck

All photos can be sent electronically to Regan at [rshebeck@zoominternet.net](mailto:rshebeck@zoominternet.net)

L. Holiday Shop Maureen McCue/Lori Waite

The dates for Holiday Shop are Dec. 5 – Dec. 9. Details to follow.

### III. OLD BUSINESS

A. Classroom gifts to teachers were distributed

This was a change from previous years when the money was given in December.

B. Vision Screening Week

### IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Vote on expenditures for after-school math tutoring program

A vote passed unanimously to provide after-school snacks for the students in this program. The sessions are held on Thursday afternoons and approx. 40 kids are participating.

B. Vote on purchasing another die-cut machine with supplies for staff/parent use

Vote tabled to gather more information.

C. Vote on Book Fair Adopt-A-School Library program

Vote passed unanimously to participate in this program. Details to follow.

D. Grandparents/Grand Friends Days

All 3 elementary schools are participating. Dates: Oct. 25 (K,1,2); Oct. 26 (3,4,5)

E. Propose all student gift purchase from PTO

A vote passed unanimously to present all Hance students with a \$3.00 certificate to Hance's Holiday Shop. Details to follow.

F. Indoor Recess purchases proposal

Vote tabled until November meeting.

G. Jump Rope for Heart program Katie Kukieza/Florence Oakes

Event to be held Feb. 24, 2006. This benefits the American Heart Association.

Donations will be collected by the students in grades 1-5, and on the day of the event the kids and staff will participate in various jump roping activities. Online donations can be accepted immediately.

Please visit [www.americanheart.org/jump](http://www.americanheart.org/jump) to set up your child's webpage!

H. Field Day Committee Chair and Spring Staff Appreciation Social Committee Chairs are needed

**ASAP!!!**

### I. V. OPEN DISCUSSION

A. Upcoming Events in November: 2<sup>nd</sup>: School Pictures

**3<sup>rd</sup>: PTO Meeting with Dr. Manley 7:00PM**

**\*\*2 PR stadium blankets will be raffled off at this meeting!!\*\***

Hope to see you there!

4<sup>th</sup>: Fantastic Fun Friday

Wear your favorite color

7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>: Hearing Screening

10<sup>th</sup>: ½ Day Parent Conferences

Market Day/Fall Fundraiser Pick-up

- B. Julie Grguras proposed that we start saving Tyson A+ symbols which can be found on all Tyson products. The school will receive 24 ¢ for each one collected.  
(This program is similar to the BoxTops for Education program, which rewards 10¢ for each one collected.)