

PTO Meeting Minutes

March, 5th 2008

Principal's Roundtable preceded tonight's meeting.

Meeting was called to order at 7:30. 19 people were in attendance, along with 6 Board members present.

Treasure's Report dated Jan. 9th-March 5th was approved.

Meeting Minutes from Jan. 9th approved.

Ongoing Business: PTO Meeting Minutes are available on the Dunellen Schools website.

The next PTO Meeting has been moved to April 1st, due to a concert on the 2nd.

Family Math Night/Science Fair is April 4th in the Media Center.

The Sunshine Committee had a meeting in Jan. to discuss the guidelines that will be followed for donations. Two ideas that were suggested: Possibly acknowledging teacher's birthdays; having a Bake-Sale to benefit the Committee.

President's remarks:

Recent Activities:

A Character Education assembly was held on Jan. 14th. It was given by Patricia Shi.

People are needed for the Assembly Committee for the '08-'09 school year.

Juggling Bag Drive: Around 40 sets of juggling bags have been donated to Mr. DeLauro; benefiting a Children's juggling camp, and NJ is Beautiful.

February Book Fair: Thanks to Joanne Johnson and Jen Desmelyk for their help. Exact numbers are not known, but it was successful. May's Book Fair will be "buy one get one free".

Testing snacks: Testing is next week for 3rd and 4th graders.

A note will go home to 5th grade parents asking for donations in April.

Sweatpants Drive: A note was sent home asking for clothing donations for Ann North to use in her office for any "accidents" that students may have.

Penny Drive for the 2nd Marking Period ended in January. It was very successful. The top class was Mrs. O'Neill.

February's Penny Drive; Benefiting Pennies for Patients: All donations have not been calculated yet. There is at least \$100.

Budget Information Night: A presentation will be held on March 31st at 7:15 at LMS. It will also be presented at the Board of Education meeting on March 25th. The Budget vote is April 15th.

A possible "Voting Contest" needs to be finalized.

Nominating Committee for '08-'09 school year: Maureen McCabe-Nash has agreed to Chair again.

The Jumpathon will be held the week of March 31st. Volunteers will be needed.

Thank yous have been received from Mrs. Rosen, from the Carol Fund,

Mrs. Kime for the Faber Fund and from Mrs. Modi.

Vice-President's Remarks:

Upcoming Parties: Some are in March and Some are in April. Activities have been planned.

5th Grade Farewell Party: a meeting will be held March 12th to work on the details. They will need around 6 4th grade parents To volunteer for the event.

Field Trips: Preschool: needs to be determined; 1st Grade: already done; Second Grade: ?; 3rd Grade: a date needs to be determined; 4th Grade: ?; 5th Grade: ? These need to be finalized ASAP.

Committee Updates/Upcoming Events:

Family Movie Night will be held on March 28th at 6:30. A flyer was sent home.

Market Day: March 10th; 1st grade parents are asked to help. April 14th, Kindergarten parents are asked to help.

Scholarship Committee: will be meeting soon, and need members. Packets will go home with students soon, with interviews Coming in May.

Teacher Appreciation Week is May 5th-9th. The Committee met this week. Donations are needed.

The High School will be having a used book sale on the 14th and 15th of March to benefit the Yearbook Committee.

The High School is putting on *Beauty and the Beast* from March 14th-16th.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30

The next PTO Meeting will be held on April 1st, 2008 at 7:00