

PTO MEETING
March 10, 2010

ATTENDANCE:

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| Mary Beth Shea | Tracy Duprey |
| Jennifer Gallagher | Tina Journeay |
| Melanie McCormack | Kelly Escobar |
| Rob Harrison | Marianne Snow |
| Jen Marden | Elizabeth Sullivan |
| Jessica Gilliland | Sara O'Bara |
| Sue Freeman | Lisa Linnehan |
| Dyan Reinhold | |

Meeting started at 7:10pm

1. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** We have a total of \$30,343.04. There was not a lot of activity this month. ASE has been coming in and there is a profit of \$3715. Also, some Sponsor-A-Classroom checks have been coming in randomly.
2. **FALL FUNDRAISER COMPANIES:** 10 minute presentations were to be given by Anne Sweeney from Innisbrook and from Believe Kids Entertainment Book but they were not able to make it. They will be coming to next month's meeting.
3. **PRINCIPALS:** At HRD, the MCAS will be starting the week of March 22nd. They are starting earlier this year so the results will come back quicker. The MCAS schedule is on the district website. Also, the science fair will be held on April 13th from 6-7PM. At FNS, signups for full day K and PreK is still going on. It is very important to register for Kindergarten now so they can know how many teachers will be needed. The lottery for full day Kindergarten will be held at the end of the month. Report cards will be going home this Friday at both schools. Kindergarten just celebrated their 100 days of schools and the Kindergarten Rainforest program will be held on March 24th. Also, both principals want to thank everyone for the Teachers R Souper lunch. It was fantastic and loved by all.
4. **TEACHERS:** Ms. Sullivan & Ms. Gilliland came from HRD and Mrs. Escobar, Ms. McCormack and Mrs. DiGennaro came from FNS. Thank you all for coming.
5. **MOVIE NIGHT/JEN M & HEIDI:** February's movie night got cancelled due to the power outage. It is being rescheduled for April 9th and the movie will be Cloudly With A Chance of Meatballs. The next movie night will be on March 19th and the movie will be Where The Wild Things Are.

6. **ASE ROUNDUP/LISA:** ASE classes end this week except for makeups. It made a profit of \$3715. Thanks to everyone that helped out to make this so successful, especially to Sue Freeman, the instructors & monitors and to both secretaries. A special thanks to Lisa for running this great event again.
7. **SAC/MARY ELLEN:** A few checks are still coming in.
8. **AUCTION-CANCELLED/TRACY:** The auction will not be held this year. Hopefully it will happen again next year.
9. **BINGO/SHARON:** The Bingo night will be held on April 1st at Sweetsir. High school volunteers will be running this night again. Thanks to Sharon Pacenka for making this night happen.
10. **6th GRADE GRADUATION SHIRTS/TRACY:** Tracy sent in the order this week. These are a gift from the PTO. Tracy will do this again for next year so we can get the same price for the shirts but we will need someone to take this over for the year after. Anyone interested, let Tracy know.
11. **YARD SALE/SUSAN:** The yard sale will be on May 8th from 9-1. Collection day will be held all day at FNS on May 7th. Anyone who can help, contact Susan Karalias.
12. **TEACHER APPRECIATION DATE:** This breakfast for the teachers is usually held on the first week in May. At HRD, it will be held on Thursday May 6th and Dyan & Tina will be running it. Jen Marden will be running this at the Sweetsir. She needs some help so if anyone can help her, contact Jen.
13. **YEARBOOKS:** Order forms for the yearbook were due last Friday, March 5th. If teachers or parents have any pictures they need to be sent in right away to Beth Smith.
14. **LOWELL DEVILS:** April's event is on hold for now.
15. **SCHOLARSHIP:** The PTO gives out 2 scholarships a year. Applications are due for these to be given out.
16. **APPROPRIATIONS:** We had only 3 spring appropriations. They were all voted on & approved. Here they are:
 - a. Sheet Music for Pentucket String Ensemble (Veronica Dicker) \$90.
Newly purchased works (Gaelic Castles and Fiddles on Fire) will be used for classroom study and performance pieces. What the District owns is not appropriate for beginners.
 - b. Ellison Press Cutting Pads & Dies (FNS) \$230.
Mrs. Isabel is requesting on behalf of the Sweetsir school replacement cutting pads and a few more dies to supplement the system we purchased for the school a few years ago.
 - c. Digital Camera FUJI F72 (Ms. Curtis-Pare) \$300.
To be used by the 4th Grade team to document some of the powerful learning components in their lessons. They are breaking away from worksheet learning to more hands on construction and performance work. Will be used to make photo collages, bulletin boards, video clips for conferences...etc.

(the PTO decided to give \$300 instead of \$250 so they could purchase some SD cards as well)

17. **SPRING FUNDRAISERS:** PTO is looking into maybe doing a Boston coffee cake fundraiser and maybe a smaller version of our fall fundraiser.
18. **OPEN DISCUSSION:** The Directory is still coming soon.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:45 PM