

PTO MEETING
April 8, 2009

ATTENDANCE:

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| Patty Messina | Rob Harrison |
| Kathryn DiGennaro | Heidi Voulgaris |
| Sue Freeman | Dyan Reinhold |
| Melanie McCormack | Jen Marden |
| Kelly Escobar | Sara O'Bara |
| Sue Poor | Susan Karalias |
| Sharon Pacenka | Lisa Linnehan |
| Sharon Bartholomew | |

Meeting started at 7:05pm

1. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** The treasury report is not available yet. It will be emailed when we get it.
2. **PRINCIPALS:** At HRD, MCAS last makeup test was on Monday, April 6th. The 6th grade Camp Kieve is next Wednesday. Drop off is at 7am and they will be returning on Friday afternoon. The high school band is coming next Friday to perform some songs with the band. The science fair is the week after April vacation. The Relay for Life is on May 7th with a rain date of May 8th. At FNS, the second grade International Fair is on April 16th at 1:15. On April 29th, there will be the Kindergarten Orientation night for parents. Right now the enrollment is low, with only 57 children. At the staff meeting, they discussed Volunteer Appreciation Day and it was decided that there was low turn out. Instead, they are considering doing something at the last PTO meeting or tying it into another PTO event. There will also be an updated pick up procedure forth coming. They are working with the police department to come up with an improved plan.
3. **TEACHER'S:** Melanie McCormack, Kathryn DiGennaro and Kelly Escobar attended from FNS. Field Day will be held on June 11th with a raindate of June 12th. It will be a survivor theme with 10 stations, snacks & a family picnic from 12:30-1:30. The teachers will be sending flyers home. They are hoping for some help with organizing and making some follow up phone calls. There were some concerns from last year with stations being left unattended so that those parents could follow their own child around instead of staying in the station they were assigned to.

4. **NOMINATIONS:** All PTO positions are open for next year. If you are interested in running you can get a form online on the Merrimac PTO website or you can contact Tracy Duprey.
5. **ICE CREAM SOCIAL:** This will be held on June 12th. This year, there will be an allergy disclaimer sheet posted.
6. **SPRING SOIREE & SILENT AUCTION:** Right now, it looks like we made around \$9000. Tracy will discuss more about this at next month's meeting since she couldn't be here tonight. We will also discuss about changing this event to every other year instead of every year. Great job to Tracy and everyone who helped out make this event such a success.
7. **6TH GRADE GRADUATION T-SHIRTS:** The shirts are in. The kids will receive them on Awards Day. There will be a discussion if they can change that to the night before going to Cedardale so the children can wear them then.
8. **BINGO NIGHT:** Bingo night will be held on Thursday, April 9th. Everyone is all ready to go.
9. **SIGN BOARD:** We need a volunteer for both FNS & HRD to change the PTO sign board for next year. Contact either Tracy or Heidi if interested.
10. **T-SHIRTS:** Flyers went out again for those that missed the first one. They need to be returned the week after April vacation. Sara had request to add zippered hoodies. It only comes in adult sizes & will probably cost \$30.
Thanks Sara.
11. **BUTTERBRAIDS:** We made an estimate of \$1800. Some orders have still not been picked up. Please contact Tracy.
12. **YARD SALE:** The yard sale will be on May 16th from 9-1. Collection day will be on May 15th from 8am-6pm. Susan Karalias will be sending out a flyer soon in the Take Home Tuesday. Thanks Susan.
13. **PTO POST:** The post was postponed this month due to the auction.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:35PM