

MOHAWK ELEMENTARY PTO MEETING MINUTES

The February meeting of the Mohawk Elementary PTO was called to order at 7:02pm on Tuesday, February 14, 2012. In attendance were the Principal, Chris Gardner, the PTO Executive Board (with the exception of co-Vice President, Maureen LaFleure), teacher representatives and PTO members.

President, Sian Lyons, opened the meeting with a Valentine's Day themed welcome and ice cream floats.

During the Principal's Report, Mr. Gardner announced that motion-sensor energy efficient lights being installed this week and that MEAP scores are scheduled to go home after mid-winter break. He will make a presentation regarding the scores at the next PTO meeting. Mr. Gardner said that the rubber duck incentive helped raise over \$3,000 to defer the cost to families for Time for Kids magazines. He also announced that the Student Council is selling pops for pups until they run out.

During the Teacher's Report, the teachers said they "love the lights." They also thanked the PTO for all the nice treats they have received so far this year - they recognize it and appreciate it. Mrs. Brantley (2nd grade) said she attended Trunk-or-Treat for the first time this year and she was really impressed. She also extended a thank-you to the PTO.

During Parent Q&A, there were more positive comments about the rubber ducks.

During the President's Report, a motion was made by Paula Palmer and seconded by Stephanie Dobson to approve the January meeting minutes. President, Sian Lyons announced that a gift certificate to the school store will be given to the first grade student who said "see you at your market" which led to the school store being named "Mo's Market."

During the Treasurer's Report, Stephanie Flattery presented the December and January bank statements and closing balances. She also reminded everyone that the form to start a fundraiser must be submitted to the board office before the start of the event.

The following Committee Reports were made:

- Sweatshirt/T-Shirt Sale: product to arrive after winter break.
- Donuts with Dad: thanks to all the helpers; many attendees; lots of fun.
- Movie Night: 215 people in attendance; concessions sold out; raffles/prizes awarded.
- Spring of Hope: petals being picked this week; items to be returned the week after mid-winter break.
- Bingo Night: tentative date of 3/23; needs committee.
- Mom 2 Mom: currently renting tables and accepting volunteers.
- Parisian Coupon Booklet Sale: community day 4/28; info. will be in March newsletter.
- The Rink Skating Party: 3/7; flyers to go out week after mid-winter break; Roller Roo will visit the cafeteria during lunch times.
- Grow 'Ums Sale: canceled.
- Spring Fair: 4/27; room parents met to plan raffle baskets; planning open to all - meeting to be held on 2/27 at 6:45.
- Bagel Day: next sale on 3/2.
- Box Tops: Snowball challenge raised over \$2,000; may change requirements for snowballs next year; great helpers.
- Cartridges for Kids: received checks for \$54.79.
- Health Team: February is nutrition month- food tasting at lunch on 2/16, fitness night on 2/29, making healthy plate collages; Fieldtrip on Wheels week of 3/19; dental hygiene on 3/22.
- Market Day: flyers for next sale going home on 2/15.
- Restaurant Nights: \$250 deposit from Coney Grille; parent making new collection box for receipts.
- School Store: to be held on 2/17.
- Sunshine Committee: music box for Gwen S.; board book for Mrs. Corbin.

During the Business portion of the meeting, it was announced that teachers/staff are being asked for "wish lists" for this year and next. It was also announced that there will be additions to the budget for the Green Schools Committee and reading month next year.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 14, 2012 at 7:00pm in the Media Center.

Crissi Smith, Secretary