

Benjamin Phelps PTO  
1/13/10

**PTO Meeting**

Attendance: T. Urbinati, S. Wieners, K. Morello, T. Dobrowolski, C. Patterson, V. Danyou, L. Taft, M. Houle, S. Chennvert, K. Rosati, K. Consolini, D. Vecchiarelli, M. Crawford, K. Cohen, B. Walsh, J. Sauter, T. Croteau, Mrs. Vasicek.

Meeting called to order at 7:04PM

**Officer's Report**

Treasurer Report- Ending Balance of \$12,402.32. Still have several programs yet to be paid and checks not yet cleared.

Principal's Report- Math Night was a great success, good turn out. Thanked the teachers for their time. All of the teachers involved volunteered their time for the event. Mrs. Lyman has been working since July 2009 on putting the program together. Wonderful job. Inspire works enrichment program has had a tremendous turn out. May need to add another day to accommodate all of the students.

**Teacher Report-** Jane Sauter & Mrs. Vasicek

\* Math night was great. Will PTO consider funding Math night next year for \$150.00? We can vote on it next year but it would be likely to pass. Mr. Sapelli told Mrs. Lyman to send him her receipts for this year's event.

\* Will PTO fund the cost of paper and toner for copy machine to copy a coloring book on the history of Agawam for the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade? Apprx 85 students and 25 pages in each book. Maybe we can get it donated. Kellee M. and Mrs. Vasicek will speak to Mrs. Gendron about possibility of having a copy company donate or discount. Stacy will check High School for printing over the summer.

\*3<sup>rd</sup> grade is interested in a field trip to Storowton. PTO can only fund the trip not organize it. Probably not an option for this year because our funding has already been planned out for the year. Teachers need to approach PTO early in the year so we can budget it.

\*Mrs. Pass needs volunteers for 4 th grade book closet. We will put in newsletter

**Old Business**

\*Springfield Armour- We did not do well with ticket sales. We will no longer pre-buy tickets for any event. Thanks for Dianne for organizing it, those that attended had a great time.

\* Kim Cohen Enrichment update- Jan 19 and 21<sup>st</sup> will be Musical Petting Zoo funded by ACC. FEB 11 th is the Prismatic laser show for the whole school. Two 60 minute programs. Will be a President's Day theme.

March 16<sup>th</sup> is Picasso People which we received a grant.

April 13. Birds of Prey grades 1 & 2

May 11 th. Teachers Creatures for K

Still looking for a 4 th grade author to come in.

**New Business**

\*Book Fair and Ice Cream Night- March 18<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm. Traci Croteau

We are trying to get Screech from the Falcons to come. May also have Clifford come. Need a volunteer to wear the costume. Traci C. and Kellee M. both volunteered their husbands to be Clifford if needed.

JJ's Ice Cream may donate ice cream. Waiting to hear.

No entertainment this year.

Have contacted the National Honor Society to volunteer.

May also need volunteers scoop ice cream.

\*Movie Night- Traci Croteau- Have 2 nights for the movie in order to split up the grade levels. \$5.00 fee will include juice and chips, wear PJ's if they want. Parents can drop kids and go. Will have parents here to chaperone movie. Not sure what the liability would be if there is no teacher or Mrs. Urbinati present at event. Some parents do not want to drop off as an option. Traci will do more research and discuss at next meeting.

\*New Board Members-President and Treasurer seats will be open. Stacy does plan on running for President again. The Treasurer seat will be open.. nominations come out in April!

\* Wreaths Across America- Needs a chair person... Traci Croteau will Chair

\*Teacher Appreciation- Kristi Rosati and Kellee Morello will Co-Chair event

\*Beautification, Election Day Raffle and Magical Night of Giving need Chairs- Tracie C and Virginia D offered to chair when Maureen moves up to Middle School

\* Still looking for someone to Chair fundraisers.

\*School Spirit Shirt- Need a saying and/or logo. Please submit ideas to [phelpspto@yahoo.com](mailto:phelpspto@yahoo.com)

\*Uno's night- March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please spread the word.

\* Box Tops-January 19 –February 13th contest. Last two years we raised \$1000 with box tops.

Must be post marked by Feb 28 th. Each teacher will collect and turn in to office. Special treats will be awarded to classrooms.

\*Read a Thon- Virginia- Jan 19 – Feb 19<sup>th</sup>. Info going home Tuesday. Six Flags tickets for 6 hour of reading. . Will have a BINGO during school hours. There will be raffles for parents who read to their children. The theme will be "Wild about reading". Will need some help from volunteers during library times.

Meeting Adjourn at 8:15PM

Christine Patterson

Phelps PTO Secretary