

GRAND PRAIRIE PTO MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 3, 2009

In attendance: Jen Donnell, Lisa Lydon, Michelle White, Natalie Zographos, Liz Plewa, Chris Witkowski, Vicky Durovec, Jenn Leone, Peggy Staszak, Dena Berry, Chrissy Feil, Holly Toohey, Sheri Lindner, Susan Krippelz, Dawn Ufkin, Matt Becker, Dawn Kasper, Mary Scholp, Cassie Kohrt, Janan Szurek, Juli Palmer, Carrie Dolbee, Adam White, Shannon Capps, Paul Capps, Tracy Lambert, Pam Sinram, Donna Young, Monique Doolittle, Eva Garcia, Jen Babec, Kim Radaker

Meeting called to order by Vice President Michelle White at 6:03 p.m.

Co-President Lisa Burrows was unable to attend for personal reasons; Co-President Jen Donnell was arriving late due to a prior commitment.

Minutes from the January meeting were presented and were approved with a motion by Dawn Kasper, seconded by Vicky Durovec.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Was presented and was approved with a motion by Chrissy Feil, seconded by Carrie Dolbee.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

-There have been some problems with the benches and tables in the lunchroom, and the custodians have asked that only they and the YMCA staff take the tables up and down.

-There was a bank robbery in the area on 2/2- Janan contacted the Director of Community Relations, and since the police didn't feel that the school was in danger, Grand Prairie was not notified until after the fact. Janan also said that the school safety drills are going well.

-Occasionally classrooms need to be cleared to address a particular student's needs. In this instance, kids will be sent to the media center. This is just an FYI.

-Juli spoke about the playground- there is about 5 years of use left on the other 1/2 of the playground, and PTO should anticipate starting to fundraise in the next 2 years towards the replacement costs.

TEACHER REPS- Nothing at this time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SPRING FUNDRAISER- Yankee Candle- 40% of profit goes to Grand Prairie, and the fundraiser will run a full two weeks, with estimated delivery prior to Mother's Day.

FUN FAIR- Several new games have been added, along with a photo booth and pucker powder. Volunteer sign-ups to come.

FAMILY NIGHT OUT- Giordano's (both locations) has been added for March 4.

YEARBOOK- Reminders were sent home only to the students who had not pre-ordered. This yearbook is all in color and is \$15. Please send in any photos to any member of the yearbook committee.

ROOM PARTIES- Dawn Kasper encouraged feedback/questions be turned in to any member of the room party committee.

OLD BUSINESS

BINGO NIGHT- February 27th- Still accepting donations.

NEW BUSINESS

-Natalie resigned as Secretary, as well as chairperson of the button and school supply committees due to her impending move. Jen announced that Chrissy Feil was appointed to the Secretary position for the remainder of this school year.

CAPE AWARDS

-Thank you to the Nominating Committee members- MaryEllen Miller, Jen Starkman, and Dena Berry.

Award recipients are:

PTO Life- Juli Palmer, Natalie Zographos, and Carrie Dolbee

DADD- Adam White and Paul Capps

DICE- Holly Toohy, Marg Soliman, and Donna Young

Meeting was adjourned by Jen Donnell at 6:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Natalie Zographos, PTO Secretary.