

PTA Meeting Minutes May 10, 2016

I. Attendees: Deanna Laird, Frederica Carpenter, Rebecca Rabeni, John Stevens, Pam Hurley
April minutes approved

II. Committee Updates

A+ Program (Pam Hurley) - Pam to coordinate dates for next year's sign-ups via school calendar and Stop and Shop calendar; will book now so that dates are readily available

Scholastic Weekly Readers (Pam Hurley)- Received thank you letter from Pam for PTA funding; Pam drafted an email that will be submitted to teachers the information regarding the weekly readers, need to reinforce that that this is large investment that the PTA graciously funds, will also ask room parents to reconfirm in fall with teachers as to their style of distribution (and whether or not they will be using as curriculum in the classrooms or just sending home); considered adding the election book option 2.99 per student (800 plus for school grades 3-8) but PTA voted that it was too costly; instead will utilize the election website that Scholastic offers for free, students can access website via school code; Pam to reconfirm that election website option is free with regular subscription and follow-up on school code; Deanna made a motion to promote the website and purchase the regular subscription- seconded by Frederica

SchoolA (Deanna Laird)- \$1164 raised to date; Deanna and Melissa sent 7 boxes through mail; Need to make mission clearer to only send in items that are clean and in good condition.

Vineyard Propane (Deanna Laird)- Follow-up with Heidi for next meeting

Box Tops (Deanna Laird)- Deanna requested for new Box to be made; Received check for \$382, Current total is \$900 for year

Fundraising (Deanna Laird)

May Day at the Wharf- next year need to promote more, Coogans' are willing to do again next year; Raised \$386 (with little to no effort)

School Sign- Calheta's donated \$350 for sign; raised over \$2,000 so far but still need more

Fundraising for next year- Deanna proposed Yankee candle sale in coordination with 7th grade in the fall. Or could just do Meadow farms or Cristoline for fall fundraiser. Members to research (and order a set of materials) in order to discuss at the next meeting; Will need to vote at June meeting

Teacher Appreciation Week (Deanna Laird + John Stevens) - Had great feedback from teachers/staff; PTA raised the bar this year; Dee asked room parents/PTA members to donate food which worked well; Lizzie and Brooke helped tremendously and did a great job. Diane Conover provided all the desserts. Thank you notes for all volunteers going out today.

Teachers week cost (includes flowers)- \$987 (not including a bill for Lucia)

III. Planning Calendar

Upcoming Events

Bike Rodeo (pending per John)

June 22 Field Day and Garden Day

Box Top Winner Party (TBD)

Summer Planning Meeting for Next Years' Officers (TBD)

Next Years' Dates

Sept 16-23 Scholastic Book Fair (over open house)

Sept 12 Square one Art Sales (not PTA sponsored)

Sept (3 weeks) Band Fundraiser

Oct 28 Halloween Party (PTA sponsored)

Fall Fundraiser (TBD)

January 20 Pizza Bingo Night 5:30-7

Feb 10 Soup and Cookie Fundraiser/Valentine Party; red and white (valentine themed) dance party for kids;
request Darren for music/DJ 5:30-7

*John to confirm ALL dates and put on master calendar if there are no conflicts

V. Treasurer's Report (see report)

Susan to provide for June meeting a summary of campaigns/fundraisers and grant total (how much we spent this year)

VI. New Business

Teacher and staff grant approval deadline to be Wednesday, June 1st (in order to turn around and get money distributed for next year)

Officer Elections (for next year)- If anyone knows of interested candidates for any position please contact PTA; nominations are welcome

Tuesday June 14th – Next PTA Meeting

Adjourned at 9:20 am