

Louise Archer PTA

General Membership Meeting Minutes

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Teacher's Lounge – November 9, 2011, 9:30am

I. Attendees:

Jeannie Mirani, Liz DiFrancisco, Eileen Sciuto, Suzy Pantzer, Elizabeth Toledo, Laura Skoff, Kelly Henderson, Pam Konde, Rita Roth, Caren Appel, Marilyn Schuyler, Stephanie Bollini, Kerry Crum, Beverly Jurenko, Michelle Makrigiorgos.

II. Secretary's Report:

A.Established quorum, 15 members present.

B.The Meeting was called to order by President Kerry Crum at 9:35am.

III. Principal's Report:

A.Ms. Pinkman had a baby boy at the end of October

B.Parent-Teacher conferences are complete

C.Report cards will go out next Tuesday. The county changed the format, which will go into effect next school year for grades K-6.

D.The new bus dismissal routine was adopted. Reserved parking moved to the side of the school and there are new parking signs that indicate only staff can park in the lot

E.Ann Dolan will be coming on 12/2 at 9:30 to talk about homework

F.11/28 – Think Fun games deadline for ordering

IV. President's Report:

A.Minutes of September and October meetings were approved

B.Yearbook is now on sale

C.Mini Grant process going well

D.In January, there will be a meet and greet PTA/principal event for new families

E. Holiday event with teachers will be in January

F. Reminder to event chairs: please clean up space after use

G. Remember to go through Eileen for building use

V. Treasurer's Report:

A. Audit is expected to be complete by the end of the week

B. Cash flows are healthy

C. Fun Run and Savings Spree exceeded expectations

D. Please submit accurate records

E. Please ensure that receipts submitted are for budgeted items

VI. Old Business:

A. None to report

VII. New Business:

A. None to report

VIII. Program Reports:

A. Directory: Elizabeth Toledo will help with reaching out to Spanish speaking community for updates

B. FCPS/FCCPTA: Pat Hynes, former LA PTA President is the new Hunter Mills School Board rep; other winners: Ryan McAlveen, Ted Velkoff, Moon. Honors classes are being pulled from high school curriculum. There's a new facility advisory council and parent advocacy can make a difference.

C. Hip Hop: will be January-March in am

D. Sock Hop: on-line sales available; 50% of 6th grade signed up to help

E. 6th grade dinner: set for June 8

F. Thanksgiving lunch: sign up wasn't working for a week, but otherwise going as planned

G. Inclusive School Week: December 5-9 – to recognize inclusive practices

H.Liaison: Thoreau principal is going to West Springfield High; 7th and 8th grade event and Spring Musical coming up

I.Garden Club: 6-8 women each week get together; not a lot of bulbs this year; new arboretum signs; upgrade playground grass surface

J.Reflections: We received 47 entries – up from last year. Entries have been judged and results will be announced at the reception on 11/21. All participants will be recognized with a certificate and medal, reflecting judging results. 1st place entries will go to the next level on 11/10; all other entries will be returned to students after being on display at reception.

K.Spanish and MadScience: Both are underway and filled up. Will start paperwork soon for MadScience winter session.

IX. Adjourn:

The meeting adjourned at 10:35am.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 11, 7:30pm (no meeting in December)