

LINCOLN SCHOOL
PTO Meeting Minutes, February 2, 2009, 9:00 AM
Principal's Office

Attendees

Lisa Krusinski, Eileen Johnson, Ute Meyer, Pam Hyde, Sarah Lempia, Amy Kosterman, Carole Smith, Cathy May, Pam Moriarty, Anne Sullivan, Alicia Isaacs Howes, Lori Applebey, Renee Sichlau, Amanda Plancon and Thomas Hagerman

Call to Order and Welcome

Approval of Minutes

The January minutes were approved as presented.

Principal's Report (Pam Hyde)

- MAPS testing went very well. A representative from the testing center will be at the school 2/10 to discuss the test with parents.
- Isats testing will be held for 3rd and 4th graders in the first two weeks of March.
- The February theme for the character goal is Respect. Time is being spent on teaching the children about eye contact and it's importance when interacting with other people.
- Assemblies: Thank you for putting together an assembly that targets all students. A free Art and History assembly will be provided by Bernadette Freeman on 2/11, which will tie into Lincoln's Birthday celebration.
- Student loading Zone: still a problem. It is that law that there is to be no parking in the Student loading Zone or in front of drive ways. Lori Applebey has been helping out at times, but more volunteers are needed.

President's Report (Lisa Krusinski and Carole Smith)

- COT foundation fundraiser will be held on 2/21. Catherine Trage's siblings established a foundation that will raise money to be given to different charitable organizations. This year the money raised will go to the "make a wish" foundation.
- Consider continuing on the PTO board or getting involved in a different area on the board. Please notify the chairs as soon as possible. Three new chairs will be needed for next year: Green Committee, Renee Sichlau needs a co chair, PR position, communicate with local newspapers, and Technology position, keeping Rev track up and running.
- The Early childhood classroom needs items donated: Push toys, manipulative toys, but no puzzles please

Teacher Liaison Report (Pam Moriarty)

Thank you for the Yale assembly. Students as well as the teachers enjoyed the presentation.

i touch remains on the wish list. Ideally teachers would like to see 2 per classroom. One unit costs \$229 and a total of 36 would be needed.

Other items on the wish list include 4 pull down screens, 3 US maps, and 2 world maps. Eventually smart boards will replace the world maps. Lincoln school will be getting two more boards from the school district this summer.

Superintendent's Report (Thomas Hagermann)

- Highlight's of last weeks Board meeting were presented: Miller Cooper and Co, an auditing company, gave the District a good report, district policies are online and have been updated, especially around health issues, a first meeting was held around next years school calendar. School dates, PTO dates and teacher input, all need to be collected as soon as possible. Willard principle search continues. The District received 125 applications, hopes are high to have a decision by March.
- Transition activities: many conversations between school districts are needed.
 1. Tri District common institute day planned for 1/25/ 2010 to discuss curriculum alignment.
 2. Board meeting 3/5 or 3/11: two board members from each district will meet to discuss transition activities.
 3. The three full District Boards will come together in on meeting on 3/13 to talk about goals and priorities, possibly developing a partnership.

Committee as a whole meeting 2/3

Winter primer meeting next Wednesday

District PTO: green themed meeting of the presidents to discuss expectations 2/5

Kindergarten Registration 2/6

Compliance visit rescheduled for 2/17

Summer school: a new curriculum for summer school is being planned. Early registration will be held at the Parent Information Fair. Summer school will be held at Lincoln School this year.

Treasurer's Report (Eileen Johnson)

Additional proceeds from the Book fair were \$225.

Motion was made and approved to donate \$225 to the library.

\$ 44,223 total balance in checking

1st Vice-Presidents' Report (Brooke Marks & Amy Tomaso)

No report.

2nd Vice-Presidents' Report (Diane Silha & Amy Kosterman)

2/14 is Joan Figatner's Birthday. Will receive a Penzey's gift certificate on 2/13 after 9AM bell.

3rd Vice-Presidents' Report (Sarah Lempia & Lori Coplan)

No report.

School Board Liaison Report (Sarah Joyce & Cindy Shea)

- No report.

Committee Reports

- a. Science Night: Lot's of help from education students from Concordia, because of that little child parent interaction. Science night lost \$17.00, participation numbers are down, 39 at show and 44 at hands on night. Possibly a better approach to have presentation as an assembly during the school day to get all students interested, followed by a hands on evening for the families.

- b. Winterfest: may not be happening since Fenwick's hockey team is playing well and Ridgeland Commons may not be able to give us ice time.
- c. Flip Fest: 3/7 from 3-5PM

Old Business

Nothing.

New Business

Next Meeting date - Monday, 3/9 at 9 AM

Upcoming Events

- Kindergarten Valentine Concert 2/12 at 9:45
- Classroom Valentine Parties 2/13
- No school 2/16, President's Day
- 4th grade Band /orchestra concert 2/23, 7PM Roosevelt
- Half day 2/27, Teacher Inservice
- No school 3/2, Casimir Pulaski Day
- Flip Festival 3/7 3-5PM

Adjournment

9:55 AM