

# PTO Meeting Minutes

## November 12, 2007

**Location:** Deerfield Elementary School Library

**Present:** Beth Vander Grinten, Kelli Ezzell, Mark Becker, Kristin Leigh, Peggy Pope, Belinda Storms, Anna Ehrhart, Erik Witt, Julie Schifano, Gail Moynihan, Sheryl Norton, Darnell Reppen, Jen Roades, Kristin Wild, Loretta R'Chard, Jen Stevens, Barb Nelson, Natalie Cwik, Becky Collar, SuAnn Bartenhagen, Denise Higgins, and Valerie Bultman

**Meeting Called To Order:** 6:36 pm

### Committee Reports:

- PTO Officers/Reports
  - Treasurer's Report – Belinda Storms
    - ✓ Balance as of 11/12/07 is \$7,040.41 in checking and \$4,200 in savings.
    - ✓ Note: These balances do not include the \$2,099 to be paid to the DES for the climbing wall.
  - Craft Fair – Lesa Herms, Becky Collar, Sheryl Norton
    - ✓ The profits are in, we made \$7,654.88. There were more expenses this year, but we also had more booths.
    - ✓ A huge THANK YOU for all who helped. The day went very smoothly and 99.9% were happy.
    - ✓ Suggestions for next year:
      - More Signs are needed.
      - More food is needed at concession stand. Again they ran out.
    - ✓ There are many volunteers who help to make this day a success, but a DES staff person is often left unnoticed, however, and her help is the key to our success. Jo Delaney, DES Custodian needs a special thank you for all of her help.
      - Motion made by Beth Vander Grinten to purchase a gift certificate in the amount of \$100 to show our appreciation for all that she does for the PTO, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Natalie Cwik. Discussion included that she is very deserving of this. All approved – Motion Passes.
    - ✓ Booth Rates for 2008 Craft Fair
      - \$15 for Local Non-Profit Groups
      - \$40 Registration
      - Additional \$5 for Electricity per crafter
    - ✓ Raffle Recap
      - We had 97 prizes and sold approximately 4,300 raffle tickets.
      - Suggestions for next year – encourage parents to take more than one packet to sell and have some raffle tickets located at the high school.
    - ✓ Babysitting – Safety Patrol will NOT be doing babysitting again. Many parents did not bring diaper bags or diapers. There were no snacks available for children. The discussion included NOT having any public babysitting offered, but ask for volunteers for this.
  - Enrichment Committee – Carolyn Duffy
    - ✓ Science Night – Awesome feedback, this was well received by the community.
    - ✓ Spring Enrichment Program – The Chamber of Commerce contributed to \$200 towards a Spring Enrichment program – THANK YOU!

- Market Day – Anna Ehrhart
  - ✓ Market Day is being hosted for November by the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade.
  - ✓ Thank you to those who ordered, we qualified to receive the Free Scholastic Books for the DES IMC.
- Santa Secret Shop – Val Bultman
  - ✓ Dates are December 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>.
  - ✓ To be successful we are looking for at least 25 volunteers. Suggestions made to ask a local Red Hat group to volunteer, the Senior Citizen group from the Community Center and High School helpers. More volunteers are needed so that we have enough help to assist those students who need it and so we don't have students walking out without paying, as has happened in past.
  - ✓ Set-up will be Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 3:00pm to 7:00pm, volunteers are needed, please come if you are able to help or would like to preview the items.
- Principals Report – Mark Becker
  - Science Night – thank you for making this a great success.
  - Teacher Conferences are November 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. DES is utilizing a uniform report card and they will be available the first week of December.
  - Climbing Wall – The moneys received so far do not include the cost of installation. We are waiting to see if our Grant is approved in January. The school will look to other resources for matching funds. This discussion was tabled until February to see if the grant was approved.
- Teacher Representative Report – Kristin Leigh
  - A request was to Kristin by another staff member for \$900 for a writers workshop. This is in conjunction with Young Authors Day in which the PTO already funds the guest speaker/presenter. Many questions were raised and not enough information was provided – the discussion was tabled.
- New Business
  - None
- Old Business
  - Book Fair – Darnell Reppen
    - ✓ The Scholastic Book Fair will be held November 19-21 in conjunction with Teacher Conferences. This is open to the public.
- Other
  - None
- Adjourn – 7:50 pm

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