

Ella Canavan PTO Meeting Minutes

Date:	September 8, 2009
Call to Order:	7:49 pm Pledge of Allegiance Around the Room Introductions
Attendance:	Brian Condit, Leslie Burns, Jenn Piehler, Todd Costello, Mary Stewart, Nora Epplen, Ron Hatcher, Susan West, Monica Heine, Melody Costello, Diane Boccio, Stephanie Hutz, Tammy Stankard, Kelly Prostor, Jill Patrick, Jacqui Moore, Crystal Johnson, Melissa Kichurchak, Ellen Hess, Jackie Spinelli, Michelle Brenner, Heather Kopkas, Cherri Obert, Tracy Gabrielsen, Lisa Musat, Mary Steele, Gina Mahjoubian, Becky Parkhurst
Principal Report	Mr. Brian Condit (guest speaker 7:00 pm – 7:49 pm)
Book of the Month	Mrs. Bolender presented <u>The Grass is Always Greener</u>
Meeting Minutes	Reviewed previous month's meeting minutes. Voted to wait until next meeting to approve.
Vice Presidents Report	Jenn Piehler: Discussed calculator ordering. We have several extras.
Fall Levy	
Treasurer Report	Kelly Prostor: 07/31/2009 Beginning Balance \$20,199.88 Ending Balance \$20,051.88 8/1/2009 Beginning Balance \$20,051.88 Ending Balance \$19,668.74
Round-Up Report	Jenn Piehler: Planning for Round-Up is going smoothly.
President's Report	Melody Costello:
Birthday Book Club	Diane Boccio. No report. Diane did explain BBC for new attendees.
Fall Family Night	Leslie Burns spoke with Linda Bowers about pumpkins for the event. She said she could sell them to us for \$3.50 each. PTO will provide snacks and cider for the event. Todd Costello made motion to approve. Melissa Kichurchak Second.
Blood Drive	May 13
Staff Reports	No Report. Mrs. Bolender thanked the PTO for bags.
Playground Equip	No Report.
Canavan Café	Was explained. 2 students are chose from each classroom to have a pizza luncheon. These are two students that follow the Canavan Code.
COSI	No Report.
Scholarships	No Report
Puzzlemania	No Report
Right to Read Week	May 10-14, 2009. PTO sponsors a book for each child.
Bowling/Skating	Info coming soon.
Mr. Great Books	Jackie Spinelli: 1 st – 5 th grade higher level thinking . Parent volunteers are utilized and needed.
Market Day	Susan West: No Report.
Mini-Grants	Money given to teachers who fill out grant applications for consumables.
Indians High Achievers	Todd Costello: Free club for kids with great rewards from the Cleveland Indians. Info on PTO website.
Tyson Food Labels	Todd Costello: PTO receives 24 cents PER label. Info on PTO website.
Box Tops for Education	Todd Costello: PTO receives 10 cents per boxtop. Check your expiration dates. 2009 we made approx \$2,500 from Boxtops brought in by our children. Our goal for 2010 is \$3,500. Info on PTO website. Discussed marketing strategies to educate families on Boxtop Program.
Room Parents	Leslie Burns: Meeting on 9/18 9:30 am
Round-Up	Jenn Piehler: No sleepover party for silent auction.
Safety Calls	No report.
Spirit Wear	Mary Stewart: asking Canavan PTO to pay for shirts for entire staff. Asking permission to use the HAPPY BEE that Garfield and Waite Elementary use on their shirts. Mary said she thinks the artist is a Canavan parent. \$5 each. There will be samples on display at Parent Teacher Conferences. Will let third graders pick design for 2009/2010 shirts.
Staff Appreciation	Mary Stewart: Week of conferences will have S.A. dinner from 4-8 pm the first Monday of conferences. Soup, Salad, Bread, Desserts. Still working on.
Homecoming Parade	Leslie Burns: 10/8 at 6:30 pm the parade will leave Garfield Elementary. All elementary schools were asked to participate in the parade. Canavan families are encouraged to show up between 5:30 amd 6:25 in their spiritwear to march. We are trying to secure a "float" (trailer and truck) to decorate. Mrs. Korkan and Mrs. Dobben are working with Student Council to decorate the float. They will also help spread the word about the event.

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New Business

1. Muffins with Mom. New event proposed for Mother's Day time. 8:00 – 8:45 am before school. PTO would pay for muffins etc. Specialty approved project.
2. Todd Costello: Box Tops – Suggest to honor individual students who bring in the most box tops. Per student, per class. There are monthly prizes on boxtops website. Would like to introduce line item for expenditure for boxtops program. Will get back with \$ figure.
3. Todd proposed printing 10 boxtop sheets per student and sending home with students as a challenge to complete and return. Group discussion suggested more would dispose of than participate and paper would be a waste. Asked Todd to rethink and come back to us.
4. Capri Sun recycling program was brought up. Suggested referral to Student Council.

Next Month Speaker
Meeting Adjourned

Randy Stepp, Medina City Schools Superintendent