

Liberty Middle School PTO Meeting Minutes
March 6, 2009
(re-scheduled February meeting)

Meeting called to order by Laura Sams at 9:30am.

In attendance: Laura Sams, Mark Latham, Andrea Wood, Leanne Gossett, Tracy Robinson, Betsey Farquhar-Bradish, Janette Leonard, Danielle Pickard, Denise All, Sue Bastaja, Gena Williams.

Secretary's Report: Andrea Wood

January meeting minutes presented for approval.

Motion made by Leanne Gossett, second by Tracy Robinson to approve minutes. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: No report this month.

President's Report: Laura Sams

Will report on items at various points throughout the meeting.

Assistant Treasurer: No report this month.

Reporter:

Newsletter will be going to hard copy and mailed home. Next issue hopefully before spring break, any info should be submitted no later than next Tuesday, March 9.

Principal's Report:Gena Williams

Terra Nova testing will be next week for 6th and 7th grades. There will be a school dance next Friday 3/13. Course schedules are all in for 6th and 7th grade for next year. Liberty Celebrates the Arts will be April 22. It has been expanded this year to include a gallery walk with students' work on displays from all areas of study, not just Art and Performing Arts classes. This is dictated, in part, by fewer students in arts classes due to curriculum changes. Wade Lucas, the new Superintendent, will be here that evening. It would be a good time to meet him, as he will be very accessible. Conferences were last night and next Wednesday. Winter concerts are ongoing in the next few weeks before spring break.

On Going Business:

Scrip Report: Betsey Farquhar-Bradish

January report (Dec. numbers): \$2530. February report (Jan. numbers): \$4000 in sales, rebate \$208.10, \$126.40 to PTO, 11 participants, up from previous month.

Kroger Report: Laura and Mark received notification that Kroger will be replacing Kroger Cares program with a Community Rewards program. Mark will contact them for more info and we will discuss further at March meeting. There are 20 remaining Kroger cards.

Volunteer Needs: Laura Sams. We have chairs for the following events, but need help running the events: Book Fair, 8th Grade Celebration, Staff Appreciation. There are numerous Officer and Chair positions for 2009-2010 that need to be filled.

PPT Report: Janette Leonard. There is a new website for PPT on the District homepage, go to "Support Organizations". The next forum is scheduled for Wed., April 22, 7:00-8:30pm, at Orange HS on Alcohol and Drug Prevention. There will be 3 forums next year in Oct., Feb., Apr.

Giant Eagle Program: Laura Sams. We are over our number needed for next prize level. We will be getting an I-Mac for the school. The program is extended through April 15.

Book Fair: Tracy Robinson. The week of March 16, Mon.-Thurs. It is a St. Patrick's Day theme, there will be various contests, no family night. We have \$1900 in book profit available to spend from last Book Fair, available as \$1900 in books or \$1000 in cash. There is still \$300 in question that Scholastic possibly owes PTO.

Staff Appreciation: Janette Leonard, Tracy Robinson. Will be May 7 or 8, a Hollywood theme, "You're a Star". (We can borrow decorations from Wyandotte Run.)

The budget is \$1000, but we hope to keep costs below that. We will have an organizational meeting before break. Hope to send flyer home to parents w/ grade cards (April 6) announcing S/A and asking for donations.

School Store: Karen Anderson. About \$200 profit. Hoping to sell some items at Back to School Store- locker buddies, etc.

Back to School Store: There was a discussion of how to handle next year. (Pre-paid orders only, in conjunction w/ Wyandotte Run, so Denise and Danielle can chair.) Possibility of setting the sale up similar to a "warehouse", with a room per each grade, display of available items in the hallway, order sheets completed, payment at cashier stands and orders completed by volunteers in the "warehouse" rooms.

Directory: The information is completed, but we will have to pay the printer \$75 to convert the info. We will not do the directory at this late point in the year, but have next year's directory available at the beginning of the year and sold at BTS store.

Motion made by Tracy Robinson, second by Janette Leonard. to adjourn the meeting at 11:00am. Motion passed.