

MINUTES

St. Gabriel Consolidated School PTO Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2008

The meeting was called to order by Maria L., PTO President at 7:05 p.m.

Call to Order/Welcome – Maria L.

- Child Care available tonight in cafeteria provided by 7th grade Cadette troop
- Opening Prayer was led by Mrs. Angie C.

Secretary's Report – Laura H.

- Laura requested and received from Michelle D. a motion to waive the reading of the previous meeting's minutes. The motion was seconded by Laura E.
- Agenda, Announcements and Minutes from tonight's meeting will be available on our website and at the Flag Door.

Treasurer's Report – Coreen B.

- Almost every committee is under budget this school year
- Turn in your check request for reimbursement by Jun 10 or ASAP.

Principal's Report – Mr. Epplen

- Enrollment for next year is equal or better than this year. Openings are available in grades 4, 5, 6 and 7.
- New Tuition System – There have been a few bumps in the road, but now there is a pretty good handle on TMS and the PSAS assistance system is coming along
- Summer Project
 - Painting in June – Classrooms and cafeteria. A notice will come home in the Thursday Envelope.
 - Cabinetry and water will be installed to the 7th & 8th grade science lab in June.
 - New cement pad by dumpster to add recycling bin. Community can drop off recyclables too. Possible financial gain by reducing our trash pick-ups.
 - Kitchen floor
 - Security Cameras – waiting on quotes
 - Grade Management System for 4th – 8th grades should be up and running by late fall. Hope to increase communication with parents about student performance. Parents will be able to check grades online.
 - Grandparents Day – Over 200 grandparents from grades 2, 3 and 4. Thank you to Mrs. Shelton for organizing this successful day.
 - Thank you for all you've done for the school this year!

Active Committee Reports

- **CNO Update**
 - Based on the CNO survey, CNO will return in 2009-2010.
 - Next year, we will conduct a raffle in the fall, led by Coreen B. Monetary prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd. A limited number of tickets will be sold.
 - A social event for Parents & Staff will be held around Valentine's Day. Kathryn H. will organize a planning meeting in early June. It will be a fundraiser, but on a much smaller scale than CNO.
- **Funfest**
 - Bryan R. is available tonight and is looking for 5th grade parents for the Washington Park Tug-of-War.
 - 7th & 8th graders are coming back for an exotic pet rescue presentation and for lunch.

End of Year Recap

- Market Day will not have a July sale. This month is the last order.
- Please see the May Pawprints or the Flag Door Bulletin Board for a list of the activities sponsored by PTO this year.

Old Business – None

New Business –

- **2008-2009 Officer Induction**
 - Kris K. – President
 - Katrina H. – Vice President
 - Mary R. – Treasurer
 - Lori M. - Secretary

General Announcements

- Thank You - Please see May Pawprints
- Volunteer Opportunities/Open Committee Chairperson Positions
 - M&Ms – Need 1 person
 - Junior High Plays – This is the Breens final year. They would like someone to work with them this year and then take over next year.
 - Mentor Family Co-Chair
 - In-School Enrichment Co-Chair – Activities for next year are already planned, so the co-chair would take over the following year.
 - Hospitality Committee – 2-3 people

Open Forum

- Question was asked about how can we tap into new families to volunteer for these open positions so they can get involved and feel welcome? This is a good opportunity for the Mentor Family program
- SCRIP is for sale after the meeting.

Split the Pot – Winning ticket was held by Laura H. The cougar was won by Ms. D's class.

Closing Prayer/Motion to Adjourn – Mr. Epplen led the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted by: Laura H., PTO Secretary