



Carrolltowne Elementary PTA Minutes February 4, 2010

- **Meeting called to order by President Mary Ellen O'Neill at 7:07 pm.** A sign in sheet was circulated. There were 17 people in attendance.
- **Minutes from 1/7/10 meeting** – Sarah Sheetz made motion to approve, and seconded by Jim Magill.
- **Treasurer Report:** Currently have \$16,402 in savings, and \$1,842.36 in checking. During the Holiday Shop, we brought in \$76 more than we spent. Next year, we must have gifts wrapped AFTER people pay for them. We are looking for a treasurer for next year. Several grants were distributed – 1 for the Health Room (Underwear and Socks), 1 for MJ Platt (Books) and 1 for ME Gearhart (Carts, Sign Language materials). Mary Ellis motioned to approve budget, and it was seconded by Lisa Apellaniz.
- **President's Report (Mary Ellen O'Neill):** Need a new board for next year. Will send out letter to parents regarding need for new board; also, Christina Miles expressed interest in being Secretary or VP at a previous meeting. Will also ask for people to help out at events. MEO will send this out to parents with a tear off sheet so they can respond. Cardinal Tales – 47 kids are participating, with 3 adult helpers. It will be coming out in 2 weeks – Becks has donated \$150 for printing costs, and Copy Post is printing at cost. Danielle Padula will no longer be running the school store – Kathryn Harsha will be taking over. Will be moving from being open on Tuesdays to being open on Thursdays. Thanks to Danielle for all of her work with the school store over the years.
- **Vice President's Report (Michele Carroll):** Provided Thermometer update for Health Suite. According to the Board of Ed (BOE), the first thermometer is purchased by the BOE. After the first, the PTA can purchase (or help purchase) any subsequent ones. So we will be putting in \$90 towards this from the "Donations" fund. Motion was made by Jami Karper, and seconded by Carolyn Case. The rest of the \$ will come from the school.
- **Secretary's Report (Mort Shuman):** No report.
- **Principal's/Assistant Principal's Report (Theresa Ball/Shavon Showers):** Survived the power outage and flooding (from pipe that had burst). Discussed the communication procedures for these events.
- **Teacher's Report (Edna Martin):** No report – Edna Martin not in attendance.
- **Committee Reports:**

Birthday Books – Going well.

Business Products - \$800 raised through Martins Bonus Card – approximately \$2,200 so far for the year from 194 families. Escrip raised \$150 from July through December. Box Tops – Mailed in for second check. Box Top Prizes are in the PTA Closet – not sure who they are for?

Connection (Newsletter) – Asking for stories – next issue should be out at end of February.

Community Service – Haiti ideas – Jump Rope fundraiser. This will occur during 2/19 specials. Donation will be sent to Red Cross. PTA will provide water during the event. YMCA – posters to promote event. Should we come up with a school supply drive for Haiti? Several have noted that they are no longer asking for items, but rather \$\$ to buy things as needed.

Cultural – Tuesday event -3rd, 4th and 5th grade – Billy B. On February 22, there will be an all day music program – grant was obtained for \$1,000. Mrs. Saxton proposed this. Also will need help with moving cafeteria tables in Cafeteria at 11 am.

Math and Science – April 8 is Science Fair. Details will be sent out soon.

Misc Fundraiser – Raised \$400 from Amante’s Night. Will be getting games for classrooms.

Publicity – Jen Murphy wants to be involved in Haiti Fundraiser. Please send her info.

School Sign – Updated today!

School Spirit – Moms and Muffins coming up on February 19 – details are on the flyer. Will need help at 7:45 am setting up. 14 people are signed up to help clean up for Moms and Muffins. We have plenty of napkins and cups. Could use more muffins, though! Mort Shuman volunteered to help serve muffins to the moms. Will draft moms and muffins email for Alert Now. Spirit Wear will be sold between 3/15 and 3/29. Should we purchase extra materials? Colors for spring – Red and White Shirts, and Black Shorts. Put order forms at Kindergarten Registration (print 50 extra to cover this). Bingo Night is Friday, April 30 – asking for volunteers and basket items.

Volunteers – February 22, 2010 training session at Carrolltowne.

Yearbook – Deadline is February 8 – if school is closed on the 8th, then deadline will be pushed to February 9. Fifth Grade vs. Staff Basketball Game will be on February 12. And on February 11, there will be a PBIS Assembly with a “Breaking News” interview video with Rocky.

New Business: 1) Ray Creighton (President of Freedom Elementary PTA) is interested in promoting help for single dads – would like to set something up with the PTA at Carrolltowne. It was suggested that we set something up for 6:45 pm before our meeting. No specific date was discussed. Ray is also interested in sponsoring a night for info regarding Financial Literacy. Suggested that this be done at Freedom Optimist Hall rather than a school. 2) Michele Carroll discussed Kate McAfee who needs a lung transplant and is on the donor list. She also wanted to know if anyone else found the PBIS drawings “too babyish” – is this required? Principal Ball confirmed that it is optional – students can also write instead of draw.

- **Door Prize:** #10 – Lauren Glass – \$10 Serra Brothers Gift Card.
- **Meeting Adjourned at 8:20 pm**

Respectfully submitted by:



Mort Shuman
PTA Secretary
Carrolltowne Elementary