

MES PTO Meeting Minutes
Tuesday March 21, 2006

1. Call to order at 9:35am by Barbara Tzepos.
 - a. Welcome 2006
PTO Advisory – possibility of ident cards – identification cards with kids picture/info. Free Dictionary Donation to 3rd grades by Rotary Club. TV program in works created by High School students.
2. Secretary's Report/Minutes – Nancy Belden
Minutes are published in newsletter
3. Treasurer's Report – Anna Forino
 - a. Spring social going well
 - b. Paid Yearbook bill.
4. Board of Education – Jackie Post
Handed in 235 signatures from MES to Dr. Paddyfote – he is trying to revise cost sharing formula.
5. Principal's Report – Jack Zamarly
 - a. Thank you Mr. Zukoski for attending today's PTO meeting
 - b. 67 kids registered for 2006-7 Kindergarten. If you know of any families with kindergarten age kids that have not registered – encourage them to do so ASAP. NOTE THE NUMBER IS ACTUALLY 61 KIDS, WHICH WAS UPDATED SINCE THIS MEETING.
 - c. Region 15 facilities committee to begin soon. Jack Zamarly and John Mudry (GES Principal) to serve on this committee.
 - d. CMT Testing went smoothly.
 - e. Upcoming Coffee with the Principal on Internet Security and your child.
 - f. Report Card will go out on March 31st
 - g. Coast to Coast is off to a great start.
6. Guest Speakers
 - A. Karen Kirk – Community Liason- introduced herself. She will have information on the Budget in Community Connections. Town Talk at Middlebury Library coming up. And if you would like to have a neighborhood coffee with Dr. Sippy – you can contact her at karenmkz@charter .net
 - b. Joe Zukoski – Board of Education member
He said MES is priority in facilities committee along with GES. Facilities Committee timeframe – will start in April and continue. Talked about possibilities of short term facilities updates at MES. We asked how MES' needs could be heard and he said to attend Board of Ed meetings. Other ideas that have been discussed is new K-2

sub school at LMES. Discussed upcoming TV show done by High School students.

Discussed the upcoming budget.

Talked about new electives at the High School adding the business aspect, these courses would be in Economics and Marketing.

7. Committee Reports

- a. Teacher Rep – Barbara Butler
Reading Challenge was great for 1st graders. Cat in the Hat visited 1st grade also.
- b. Friendship – Mary Tesch
Thank you from Kathy D’Andrea
- c. Cultural Arts – Kathleen Doan and Mary Ann Dzinski
Colin Bootman – Illustrator coming April 3
- d. Hospitality – Janet Gagas, Jen Minchella, Kelly Perrotti
Breakfast sponsored by 2nd grade – March 24
- e. Newsletter Coordinator –Anna Forino
Newsletter deadline – March 30
- f. Program Incentives – Boxtops due end of March. Also – Big Y, Target Labonne’s donate money back to MES
- g. Publicity – Giselle Boyadjian and Dana Dowling
Will take pictures for Illustrator, Book Fair , Celebrations
- h. Ways and Means – Julie McDonald and Nina Walsh
Personalized items – Mrs. Miller working with students – will get order forms in future

8. Old Business

- a. Coast to Coast Marathon – going well – meetings Friday 9am – all invited to attend. Healthy snack sale starting in April – 5th grade will go first. Will start recess April 3 – weather permitting
- b. Spring Social Event – Jackie Mulhall and Kim Seman
April 8th at Greek Church. Food/Wine/Music/Auction/Raffle.
\$13,000 Sponsorships/business cards. \$15,000 in auction and raffle items available. Tell friends to buy tickets and come support this event. Auction payment can be done through Pro Pay – which can process up to \$5000 per month. Can all pay with Cash, Check, PayPal
- c. MES Spring Book Fair – April 3 – 5 – email or call Colleen if you would like to help out.

9. New Business

- a. Region wide PTO Dinner – Monday May 1st - money and form due April 25.
- b. Guest Speaker for April – Dr. Sippy
- c. Art Show – April 28 and 29 - setup Friday at PHS 9am.
- d. Nominations for Executive Board – taken in meeting and again in April meeting

10. Next PTO Meeting – Tuesday April 25th at 9:30 am

11. Adjournment – 11:00 am