

MES PTO Meeting Minutes
Tuesday November 15, 2005

1. Call to order at 9:30am by Barbara Tzepos.
 - a. Please check PTO Advisory – Amy VonCulin – there are 2 reps from each school. Deal with region issues and school events.
 - i. Discussed Education Foundation - raise funds for languages
 - ii. Discussed wellness committee – looking into school lunches
 - iii. Will redo curriculum website
 - iv. Cable TV show starting in Jan
2. Secretary’s Report/Minutes – Nancy Belden
In newsletter
3. Treasurer’s Report – Anna Forino
 - a. Book fair - \$1700
 - b. Spring social sponsorships coming in and doing well
4. Board of Education – Jackie Post
2 people that were leaving Board of Ed – gave speeches. Also discussed possibility of pre-school program
5. Principal’s Report – Jack Zamary
 - a. Parent conferences underway.
 - b. Joan Benson to be recognized for Teacher of the Year at banquet at Bushnell Nov 21.
 - c. MES school store open this Wed and Thursday
 - d. Dec 3 – MES 5th grade Chorus at Middlebury Tree Lighting
 - e. Water system update – water has been re-tested and is safe – all buildings tested once a month
 - f. PTO Grant and wish list – classroom orders are coming in. Snow shoe order to go in this week. Kindergarten fence to be installed before the ground freezes. Thank you!!
6. Committee Reports
 - a. Teacher Rep – Barbara Butler
No report
 - b. Community Service Coordinators – Janine Altamirano and Jackie Mulhall -
Thanksgiving Baskets for St Mary Children’s Clinic –will contact room mothers if items missing. Next year need more guidelines around this – suggestion 2-3 cans and \$2 - \$3 each person. Need to create cover letter with instructions
 - c. Family Social Events
Looking for Bingo equipment – tentative Feb 10 – 2 sessions
Friends of Middlebury Library – please support library will family membership
 - d. Friendship – Mary Tesch
Mitchell Maknis – gift card
 - e. Garden Coordinator – Dana Dowling
Would like to do fall cleanup. If anyone would like to help on this committee – let Dana know

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- f. Hospitality – Janet Gagas, Jen Minchella, Kelly Perrotti
Next Teacher’s brunch Nov 30 8am.
Will start grade level sponsoring brunches Feb and on
- g. Newsletter Coodinator –Anna Forino
Newsletter deadline – Dec 29
- h. Program Incentives – no report
- i. Publicity – Giselle Boyadjian and Dana Dowling
Have new camera – took pictures on Ron Roy
- j. Volunteer Coordinators – Jackie Desmarais and Karen Nocera
Library Sale looking for volunteers
- k. Ways and Means – Julie McDonald and Nina Walsh Yearbook
Original items sale – Mrs. Miller to create artwork and you can buy items with it on it in late spring
Yankee Candle – Jan/Feb

7. Old Business

- a. Book fair - \$8602.35 – net sales – approx \$1800 profit
Spring – 1st week of April M,T,W
- b. Library Gift Sale – Nancy Belden
To be held Fri Dec 2 10:30 – 1:30pm and 3:00 – 7:00 pm and Sat Dec 3 10:00am – 1:00 pm. We are in need of help for the above days as well as Wed Dec 1 for set-up. Please look thru your things – we are looking for new and/or gently used items (toys, men’s ties, gold supplies, tools, Christmas items, frames, craft items and anything else you can find). We are also looking for people to donate and put together raffle or silent auction baskets.
- c. Spring Social Event – Jackie Mulhall and Kim Seman
April 8th at Greek Church. Food/Wine/Music/Auction/Raffle.
\$50 per person – Great response for sponsorship – 3 levels \$1000, \$500 and \$250.
Working on business card ads and menus. We are meeting once a month – Caron’s house Thurs Dec 8 - 9:15am

8. New Business

- a. Raffles – won by Julie McDonald, Sherri Desmarais, Anna Forino

9. Next PTO Meeting – Tuesday, January 17 at 9:30am

10. Adjournment –