

PTA Meeting Minutes– Jan. 19, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7:04 PM.

New Principal – Mrs. Strieff introduced herself and asked that parents come in to talk to her. Also, if there are any concerns call or email her. She will get back to you ASAP.

Treasurer's Report:

- Received a \$255 check from Box Tops for Education.
- Holiday Boutique was successful.
- Deposits – all deposits must be signed by 2 people and counted by the same 2 people

Committees in Need of New Chairperson(s) for 2011 – 2012:

- **Council Scholarship**
- **Halloween Fun Night**
- **School Pictures**

Also – the following committees need someone to shadow the chairperson(s) so that they can learn what is involved.

- Cultural Arts
- Yearbook
- Book Fair

Board Positions that Need to be Filled:

- **Treasurer**
- **Recording Secretary**

Smart Board Fundraiser: This is not a PTA committee but we do ask that you support it as our children will benefit from it.

- Set for May 20, 2011 at the Firehouse
- Corporate sponsors have been solicited
- Need volunteers – Contact Jenn Ferrick

Reflections: Reception to be held on Jan. 25, 2011. Art works will be displayed.

End of Year Picnic: Date set for 6/17/11 and rain date will be 6/21/11

- Everyone brings their own food
- There will be a DJ
- There will be a Pig Race
- PTA will supply dessert

More details to follow but if you have any questions contact Lisa or Sarah.

Yearbook: If you have any pictures, please send them into Roseann Rotoulo.

Order forms will go out in Feb.

Kindergarten Registration: Week of 2/8

Johnna Hraska is looking for volunteers to help. A sign up sheet was passed around

Minutes from November's Meeting: were accepted. Motion to accept was made by Sarah and seconded by Colleen.

Bingo Night: Sponsored by the 5th Grade Moving Up Comm. Will be held **1/28**, please support this event.

Blood Drive: March 10th. Theresa Smith is chairing the event.

Fundraiser in Memory of Dana Sassano: Tiny Trims will put purple extensions in hair for \$10. The money will go to the Sassano Family (Laura's daughter). Date to be announced.

Special Guests: Alex Gromack, Councilmen George Hoehmann, Frank Borelli, Councilwoman Shirley Lasker, Capt. Sullivan, CPD ,Lt. Donaldson, CPD and Lt. Archinocoff, CPD addressed the issue of speeding on West Nyack Rd. as well as other town issues. According to Mr. Gromack, Clarkstown is in revitalization mode. Our security rating is excellent. We are ranked in the top 5 safest communities in the country.

An invitation was extended by the Clarkstown P.D. to take a tour of the station and see the equipment that they have available to them. We were also informed that every patrol car can bring up the blueprints of every Clarkstown school in case of an emergency.

Speeding on West Nyack Rd. – there is too much traffic on too small a road.

- Experiencing heavier volume due to construction on Rte. 59
- Have clocked people going 46 – 50 mph in a 15 mph zone
- Parent involvement is crucial (many parents also guilty of speeding)

Strategies to Combat Speeding:

- Signs that flash your speed
- Speed trailers (can't be put out in winter)to measure times to be targeted
- Speed counters (give similar info)
- More officers present on road
- Put marked (unoccupied) police cars on road for a few days and then put an officer in car to enforce violations
- Enhance and expand the crosswalk

- Possibly relocate existing signage and have it painted bright green
- Call Lt. Donaldson to report speeding issues (leave message if he is not in)

All guests were interested in keeping the lines of communication open and promised to try and support our efforts.

Meeting Adjourned: Meeting was adjourned at 8:37 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Grogan