

Cedar Hill PTO
Board of Trustees Meeting
February 4, 2010

The meeting was called to order. Edge moved to approve the minutes from the January 14, 2010 meeting, Ehret seconded, the motion was approved.

Attendance: Elaine Edge, Christina Ehret, Joe Mollica, Alicia Martine, Joyce Tulenko, Karen Richman, Colleen DeSalvo, Elizabeth Barickman, Kristina Folkart. Absent: Candy Pescatore.

Mr. Mollica:

- *Mollica reported he has a strong candidate for new teacher to replace Tivan's maternity leave. The position is for 6 months, the possible candidate has a strong teaching history.
- *We are beginning to train new teachers to be ready for the NJASK. We want children to be prepared and not feel surprised when they open up the booklet on test day.
- *As a result of new state requirements CH will put a strong focus on writing.
- *Kindergarten registration is today 2/4, currently our enrollment is projected to be 88-96 students.
- *Mollica spoke to Artie Rivera of Aramark. Artie is working on improving their image at Aramark. CH will possibly receive new paving on sidewalks and better lighting.
- *Alicia reported to Mr. Mollica that our guest speaker for the March General PTO Meeting may not attend. Mollica volunteered to be guest speaker if needed. A possible topic can be: The Budget, how our money is being spent and how PTO dollars are used to improve our school.

Officer Reports:

Presidents-Elaine Edge and Christina Ehret

- *Field Trip Shirts are now available in larger sizes.
- *Budget Vote-many residents without school age children voiced their concerns at the BOE meeting regarding the new budget to be voted on. If our budget is not passed the school system will be negatively affected.
- *Parent Social will be held on March 26, at Chimney Rock. The room can accommodate 90 people so there will need to be a cut off of attendees. Board members agreed to provide the desserts.
- *Ehret reported on an organization "The Municipal Alliance" that provides funding for educational assemblies. Kristina Folkart volunteered to apply for a grant to receive \$500 for future assemblies.
- *Edge and Ehret reported we have 3 openings on the 2010-2011 PTO Board. The positions are Treasurer, Secretary and 3rd VP-Newsletter/Scoop.

1st VP Meetings-Alicia Martine

- *Alicia reported that Sean Siet most likely would be able to be our guest speaker for the March General PTO meeting. We will advertise to parents that babysitting will be provided to attract more attendance. Edge and Ehret volunteered their daughters to babysit at the meeting.

*Alicia asked the board members to think about people who would be candidates to fill the open PTO Board positions.

2nd VP Fundraising-Joyce Tulenko

*Kids Art packets will be sent out on Feb.17 to be returned by March 8.

*Raffle-Joyce is working on printing out the name labels.

*Spring Book Fair-set up will be on 3/20, Joyce will check with Joe about availability of the gym for that day. Many volunteers are still needed for this event. Edge will reach out to Mary Youngberg to see if she will help.

3rd VP Newsletter-Karen Richman

-No Report

Treasurer-Candy Pescatore

-No Report

Secretary-Colleen DeSalvo

*Boys Night Out- a meeting will be held on 2/5 for volunteers to discuss the evening plans. Ehret requested a separate box in the main office for the RSVP's.

Trustee-Elizabeth Barickman

*Science Fair-Laura Begg is getting positive feedback from kids and parents. Ehret requested that Mr. Boob or another teacher be involved and have a display the day of the event.

*3rd Grade Writers book orders need to be in by March 18.

*4th Grade Writers was very successful, teachers requested Gelsey to return next year.

*Student Art Show- artwork is being mounted by volunteers.

*Kindergarten registration is today 2/4.

*Valentine's Breakfast will be on Feb.11

Trustee-Kristina Folkart

*Sweetheart's Dance-We still need a lot of volunteers. Water will be served along with the punch. We should buy less soda and sherbet to avoid returns after the event.

*Walk-A-Thon-Laura Begg needs a co-chair. Karen will put a notice in the scoop to find a volunteer. A date has not been picked for this event.

New Business- None

Old Business-None

The meeting was adjourned, Ehret moved to adjourn, Edge seconded, all approved.

Respectfully submitted, Colleen DeSalvo, Secretary

