

Cedar Hill School PTO
General Meeting March 11, 2009

I. Call to order

II. Officer and Committee Reports

Presidents: Elaine Edge/Laura Page: Edge encouraged all to attend the upcoming Board of Education meetings in order to better understand the budget vote in April. She also recommended registering for an absentee ballot since the vote will take place during spring break.

1st Vice President -Jeanne Finn: Finn introduced the nominating committee in search of 09-10 Cedar Hill Board. Kim Conyers, Elaine Nelson and Jeanne Finn will make up this committee. Finn suggested that anyone interested in joining the board to please contact any one of these ladies for more information.

2nd Vice President of Fundraising~Christina Ehret: Ehret announced that the t.v. raffle would start soon. The bulb fundraiser brochures would be going home Friday April 3rd and would end on 4/17. The bulb delivery is scheduled for May 4th. The spring book fair will have a Monday 4/13 as a preview day and then the books will be available for purchase Tues 4/16 to Thursday 4/16.

3rd Vice President /Newsletter: Dana Hughes: no update

Treasurer-Candy Pescatore: no update

Trustee-Laura Begg: Boys Night Out is scheduled for Friday, March 13th. The entertainment will be the Wizards. The Science Fair is Saturday, March 14th. Begg also discussed the details of the Charity Walk a Thon during the month of May. Each student will have the opportunity to select a charity of their choice, collect pledges, and walk laps to raise money. The student council is working on this event, however, the individual students will be responsible for paying the charities any monies collected.

Trustee-Joyce Tulenko: No update

III. New Business

IV. Old Business

- V. **Guest Speaker Dory Devlin:** Guest speaker Dory Devlin spoke on the ever growing issues with technology and our children. Devlin listened to parents as many parents present had wonderful suggestions and tips as to how to keep our children safe from cell phones, text messages, emails etc....Such tips included delay providing cell phones to your kids, limit time on the computer, purchase software to monitor the sites in which your children visit. Devlin also encouraged consequences for misuse or abuse of any of the technology mentioned. Finally, simply being aware of what your child is doing is critical. Take time to listen and find out what and who your children are involved with and help them to understand the legal ramifications if they are not responsible with their technology both in and out of school.

VI. Adjournment