

Elmwood Elementary Parents' Club Meeting Minutes 2/2/10, 6:00 P.M.

Present: Becky Hunt, Jamie Monari, Lisa Roberts, Elizabeth Gallagher, Colleen Karn, Monica Lampe, Wendy Hale, Christine Dunkel, Elizabeth Livengood, Kim DeSplinter, Leigh Becker, Amy Guppy, Tony Frost

1. Meeting called to order by Secretary Lisa Roberts in the absence of the President and Vice President.
2. Motion to approve the Minutes from the November/December 2009 meetings by Amy, 2nd by Monica. Minutes approved.

(President Becky Hunt arrived and presided over remainder of the meeting at this point.)

3. Treasurer's Report
 - Jamie distributed a current financial report which details monies from the Boxtops, Santa's Secret Shop, and Geography Bee. The Schwan's Day brought in about \$110. One of the biggest expenses coming up will be the carnival.
 - We may have lost a little money on Santa's Secret Shop this year, but it is hard to determine this for sure since the gifts are bought and saved from year to year, and so the expenses vary as well depending on how much is left over.
4. Mr. Frost's Report
 - Mr. Frost expressed his great appreciation for Elmwood Elementary Parents' Club and all the consistent dedication of the parents and volunteers. Not many schools have groups as good as ours!
 - ISAT tests are the first week of March. The Junior High does breakfast for their kids in the mornings before the testing, and Mr. Frost asked for input about doing this in the elementary school. He is leaning toward providing healthy treats and snacks and not an entire breakfast. We discussed having parents send in some things to help with that ("Hugs from Home").
 - It was asked if our Global Connect program (the district-wide telephone call base for important messages) can also trigger an email to be sent at the same time to parents. Mr. Frost will look into that. Also, it was discussed that if there are any phone numbers that you want to have removed from the telephone call list, you should contact District Secretary Ami Naumann.
5. New Business
 - The third grade teachers requested reimbursement of \$59.50 for supplemental field trip costs which included a Stuart Little play and visit to Lakeview Planetarium. Motion to approve the teachers' request by Jamie, 2nd by Amy. Motion approved.

- Reminder that Target still donates a percentage to the school if you have and use a Target credit card.
- Boxtops has a “Marketplace” program on their website where you can order online from various stores such as Walmart and money is earned for our school. Below is the info that Mr. Frost has since printed and sent out in the February school newsletter:

*BOX TOPS 4 EDUCATION NEWS: If you like to shop on line visit **The Marketplace** at boxtops4education.com. There are over 100 stores to shop from on this site and you can earn money for Elmwood Elementary School by shopping through **The Marketplace**. Also while on boxtops4education.com you can register for a drawing worth 1000 box tops for EES. The contest runs throughout the month of February. Enter every day for more chances to win. Ask others to enter for us too. Our goal is \$2,000.00 this year.*

- Leigh is working on the School Toolboxes. Orders will be due April 7th. She will have information at the school carnival, and info will be sent home on Monday, the 22nd. Last year, we made \$500+. We earn \$5 fundraising fee on each box sold. Those parents that have used this program love the convenience and quality of the items. Parents’ Club will continue to purchase and supply the large baggies needed for the first grade classes.
- Jamie brought up the idea of doing a Scrip Fundraising Program where people purchase gift cards to use at certain stores and Parents’ Club would make a percentage in profits. She will further investigate this idea and talk with other schools who are successfully using this type of program. If Parents’ Club decides to do this program, we would need a volunteer to coordinate it.

6. Committee Reports

- Book Fair will be held February 16-18, with Family Night on the 16th from 5-7 pm. If you can help with the Book Fair, please contact Kim Sims.
- School Carnival is Saturday, March 20th from 4 -7 pm. Set-up will be on Friday, March 19th, at 1:00 pm. We will have childcare available during set-up. Please let Becky know if you can work the carnival and/or set up. Also if you have suggestions regarding the games, or preference of where you would like to work, let her know that as well.
- AR parties in May will be at Fun City for grades 4, 5 & 6. For grades 2 & 3, we are looking into River City instead of the YMCA in Canton. The facilities may be more appropriate at River City for the size of our group.
- Teacher Appreciation Week is May 3-7. The committee will meet Wednesday, February 24th, at 5:30 pm in the elementary library to begin

making plans for the week. If you would like to help and did not already sign up, please contact Lisa Roberts or Colleen Karn.

- If you would like to help with the Golf Outing this summer, please contact Becky.

7. Adjournment

- Colleen moved to adjourn the meeting. 2nd by Leigh. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Roberts
Parents' Club Secretary

*****NEXT MEETING IS MARCH 2nd AT 6:00 PM *******