

BETHPAGE HIGH SCHOOL
PTSA MEETING
DECEMBER 11, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm by President Linda Mangano with the Pledge of Allegiance. The minutes of the September meeting were reviewed. A motion was made to accept the minutes by Lisa Mastandulo and Terese Bendig. Motion Accepted.

Treasurers Report: Treasures report was given and approved.

Presidents Report: Linda reviewed various items:

- Textiles Bin is doing very well. Please send in your old clothing and textiles.
- The Eagle Walk of Recognition is selling inscribed brick pavers which will be installed along with new gates at the entrance onto the football field. To date 350 bricks have already been sold.
- A vote was taken to amend bylaws, to omit our December meeting for next year. A motion was made by Josette Skuza and Joanne Foley. Everyone was in favor.
- NYS PTA Legislative Briefs: 3 NY state legislative laws up to be passed. Burden of Proof Law, Allergy Management Act, and School bus Idling. For information on any of these pieces of legislation visit:
www.nygov/governor/press/09070721.html or www.assembly.state.ny.us

Principal's Report: December calendar was distributed by Mr. DeTommaso. He spoke of our students being very active and supportive of our school, and of the great work they do for the community in such ways as fundraising or feeding the needy. The Winter Concerts will be held December 19th and 20th. The question was asked what our school is doing to become more like Plainview winning the science award. We've looked at many different ways to correct this problem. Some of the problems are that our kids are in so many different clubs and sports, etc... Location is also another problem. We are still working on the situation. This is his biggest challenge of yet. Debbie Marmarale thanked Mr. DeTommaso for the cones in the circle. Mr. DeTommaso discussed the open and closed campus issue. We are a modified closed. Junior Banquet was brought up. Changes have been made to make it more of a dance than a prom.

Site Base Report: The Changes to the Junior Prom were discussed. The Cones in the Circle. Honor society and Honor role requirements were discussed and it was decided to leave them the way they are.

Teachers Report: Mr. Whittemore Spoke about the winter concert. The English department attended the National Council of teachers of English conference at the Javits Center in New York City. We received a lot of good ideas that we will bring to the classroom. The 10th grade Honors class took a fishing trip to coincide with the reading of the “Old Man in the Sea”. The Word Play Class attended the 21st Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee on Broadway. Word Play is an elective in the English department. The class was set up to help in higher performance in the Verbal section of the SATS.

Old Business:

- Train show: will be held January 19, 2008 from 11:00am – 3:30 pm. Looking for volunteers.
- Reflections: Due date was changed to December 21st. The Theme is “I Can Make a Difference by...”
- Moms and Dads for Music: Discussed all the Concerts coming up. They are doing well with the 50/50 raffles held at the concerts. Still selling scarves and blankets and Frisbees. Check out the new website. The December 18th meeting was canceled.
- Dads Club: The Wrestling tournament raised \$3,400.00. Great fundraiser.

New Business:

- Board of Ed meeting on December 18th. Time changed from 8:00pm to 6:30 pm at Kramer Lane School.
- Upcoming events for Nassau District PTA area: Reflections Drop off January 7 & 8, Mid Year Conferences – February 26, Legislative Conference March 8 & 9, and Legislative Brunch March 15.
- Entertainment books: PTA made \$300.00. We still have a few left to sell.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:40 pm