

CBS PTA GENERAL MEETING



Quorum/Present

A meeting of the Central Blvd. PTA was held on Wednesday, November 7, 2007 at 9:30am in the All Purpose Room. Co-Presidents Theresa Mayr and Lena Ritchie called the meeting to order at 9:40am. The minutes of the October meeting were submitted and approved.

The Treasurer's Report: *Submitted for Audit*

CORRESPONDENCE - Thank you letters were received from Leslie Schreiber to thank the PTA for providing certificates and pretzel rewards for the summer reading program and to express her appreciation for her PTA membership. A letter was also received from Mr. Furrey to thank various PTA committees for their hard work during the month of October.

TEACHER REPORT - Mrs. Agovino and Mr. Braglia did a presentation regarding the fitness club that they conduct with 3rd graders during lunch time. They presented the various activities the students will participate in and displayed some of the equipment that will be used.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - Mr. Furrey thanked various committees for their hard work during the month of October. He announced that the end of the 1st marking period is Friday, November 9th. The 5th Grade Social Studies Assessment will take place Wednesday Nov. 14th and Thursday, November 15th. There will be evening parent/teacher conferences on Thursday, November 15th. Daytime parent/teacher conferences will be held on Tuesday, November 27th and Monday, December 3rd. School will end both days at 11:45am. A letter will be sent home to parents to notify them of the early dismissals. An early dismissal drill will be held Wednesday, November 21st at 2:35pm. Two N.Y. Islander players visited our school on Tuesday, October 30th to promote literacy. Workshops were conducted on Monday, November 5th for parents of students in grades 3-5 to provide information about the ELA exam.

BIRTHDAY BOARD- November birthdays are up. Thank you.

BOX TOPS- The first collection was successful. We will receive a check for \$812 in December. Winners received a certificate and a Target gift card. The winners will be listed in the December newsletter. Another collection is planned for February.

CHINESE AUCTION- Is scheduled for 3/6 at the Carlyle on the Green. The committee is working on baskets. Donations are being accepted for baskets and other items.

COUNCIL REPS- You may buy a brick for the "Eagle Walk of Recognition" fundraiser at the high school. November is PTA Healthy Lifestyle Month. There are new bleachers at JFK Middle School. A letter went out from the district regarding MRSA. New construction for full day kindergarten will begin shortly.

DRUG AWARENESS- Drug Awareness/Red Ribbon Week was October 24-31. There were guest speakers and other activities as well as give a ways for all the children. Concerns from general members arose due to the use of empty prescription bottles for a time capsule/pledge to be drug free.

FUNDRAISING - Order pick up scheduled for 11/8. Miss Chocolate fundraiser earned less than expected. Additional funds will need to be raised or the budget will need to be cut. The committee would welcome any suggestions for fundraising.

GRANDPARENT/SENIOR FRIENDS DAY- Was held Friday, October 19th. Appreciation was extended to Stuff-A-Bagel for their generous donations to this event. Pictures from the event were on display at the PTA meeting as well as on our website. Some general members offered suggestions on how to change the event to accommodate those that do not have grandparents or senior friends and the possibility to explore alternatives to be able to seat all those that attend for the refreshments/assembly portion of the day.

HALLOWEEN - The party was held on Friday 10/26 from 4:30-6:00pm. Over 300 students attended for crafts, treats and DJ /dancing and games.

HOLIDAY DINNER- Will be held on Monday, December 3rd at Singleton's. A letter went home with all students.

NEWSLETTER- The first newsletter will go out this week. It is called *The Eagle Eye* and it will be distributed monthly. The deadline for the December issue is Nov. 26th. Please e-mail any submissions you have to JanineK@optonline.net.

PICTURE DAY – Was held October 17th with Irvin Simon Photographers. Retakes will be done on 12/7.

PRETZEL SALE – The sale is scheduled for Wednesday, November 14th. A certificate for a free pretzel was given to students of families who joined the PTA.

SPIRIT T-SHIRTS – T-shirts, sweatshirts, jerseys, sweatpants and tie dye pants samples were on display at the PTA meeting. An order form went out to all students and is due next week.

5th GRADE CLASS DAY- A letter to order t-shirts will be sent out to all 5th grade students on Wednesday, November 14th. The committee is planning year-end activities.

OLD BUSINESS

- The Miss Chocolate fundraiser fell short of our goal. Other fundraisers may be necessary to fulfill the remainder of the budgets.
- The Box Tops contest was a great success! We have collected 8,120 box tops resulting in \$812 earned. We encourage you to visit the Box Tops website (boxtops4education.com). The school can earn extra money through online shopping at the box tops marketplace.
- Grandparent/Senior Friends Day was October 19th. Pictures will be hung on the bulletin board and will be displayed on the website.
- Picture Day was October 17th.
- Drug Awareness/Red Ribbon Week was 10/24 -10/31.
- The Halloween party was held on Friday 10/26.

NEW BUSINESS

- School is closed on November 12th for Veterans Day.
 - Emergency/Early Dismissal Drill is scheduled for Wednesday, 11/21.
 - School is closed 11/22 and 11/23 for Thanksgiving.
- Next PTA meeting will be December 12th at 9:30am in the All Purpose Room.
Meeting was adjourned at 11:10am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Collins
Recording Secretary

