



November 4, 2009 CBS PTA General Meeting

Quorum/Present

A meeting of the Central Blvd. PTA was held on Wednesday, November 4, 2009 at 9:45am in the All Purpose Room. President Karen Fikar called the meeting to order at 10:10am. The minutes of the October meeting were submitted and approved.

The Treasurer's Report was submitted for audit.

CORRESPONDENCE- A thank you was received from Mrs. Schreiber. Thanking PTA for supporting the summer reading program. Special thanks were given to Mrs. Paola for typing each certificate. She also complimented the PTA on how nice the front of the school looks.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT- Mr. Furrey informed us about the "Fuel Up To Play 60" program, that is sponsored by the Dairy Council and the NFL. The children should be active for at least 60 minutes a day, drink and eat low fat dairy products, fruits, vegetables and whole grains. This program was presented at the "Drug Awareness Week." assembly. Mr. Furrey also mentioned that he would like to do a vegetable challenge, to encourage the children to eat more vegetables. He had asked the PTA if they could sponsor this program.

Mr. Furrey mentioned important upcoming dates:

- School Spirit Day-11/7
- Veteran's Day-No School
- 5th Grade Social Studies Test-11/6 and 11/7
- Parent Conferences Half Days-12/1 and 12/7
- Emergency Early Dismissal-11/25
- 3rd Grade Winter Concert-12/9
- Senior Chorus, Band and Orchestra-12/10

Mr. Furrey also spoke of the Connect Ed call received from Mr. Clark about the student from JFK that was diagnosed with H1N1. The student had a pre-existing medical condition and was hospitalized as a precaution. That child is now out of the hospital. Mr. Furrey reiterated the importance of washing hands and that parents should keep their child home if they are sick.

TEACHER'S REPORT- NO Report

MEMBERSHIP- We already have 336 paid members. The Bethpage Congress of Teachers pays for all faculty to become PTA members. This is a huge contribution! We still have time to grow our membership tree and make the branches stronger.

FUNDRAISING- Yankee Candle was a big success. We made \$5,260.74.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION- 6,200 Box Tops were collected. The top three winners will receive Target gift cards.

5th Grade Report- The committee met about two weeks ago and discussed the design for the shirt. They will be going back to the navy blue and white. They should be receiving a template back within the next couple of days to review and approve.

Letters went out to all 5th grade students requesting their size. The form is due back to the committee November 13th. It has been decided to have the 5th Grade class day celebration in the CBS gym. We are waiting for the approval of the permit for the use of the gym. It will be an Ice Cream Social. The committee have secured the DJ-Vic Macaluso.

SPIRIT WEAR- The committee is in the final negotiations and the order form will be going out soon.

PICTURE DAY- Retake day is 11/24.

BOARD OF ED REPORT- No Report

PTA COUNCIL REPORT- No Report

GROUNDS BEAUTIFICATION- The front of the school has been decorated for the Fall. The committee purchased bushes and planted donated perennials. They are thinking of putting some stones down in the spring.

SEPTA- Participated in the Halloween party. CBS first grader won the gift certificate for guessing the right amount of candy.

HALLOWEEN- Huge Success! It was very crowded. CBS sold 370 tickets. The Halloween Committee did a great job!

HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE- This will be held on December 8th, 9th and 10th.

EAGLE EYE- Distributed to the children and it was terrific.

MOMS AND DADS FOR MUSIC- NYSSMA solo festival is taking place next year on March 16-17,2010 at the Plainview Old-Bethpage School District. If anyone is interested there will be a guest speaker at the next Moms and Dads for Music meeting to talk about how to prepare yourself for NYSSMA.

The CBS winter concerts will take place December 9th and 10th at 7:00pm. That night Moms and Dads for Music will be selling t-Shirts that represent the music department.

The next meeting will take place on Nov 17th at 7:00pm room 117 at the H.S. if anyone is interested. This will be the last meeting for this year.

Also if anyone wants to know about the other music events that are happening in the middle school and high school, go to CBS website under middle school faculty, Mr. Kay from the music dept. He has updated events for orchestra.

LIPSYNC- The committee is in negotiations for February 12th, with the dress rehearsal taking place on February 11th.

OLD BUSINESS-

Drug Forum held on 10/26/09 and was very well attended.

Grandparents/Senior Friends Day was held on 10/23 and reports were wonderful.

Picture Day was held on 10/19 and was well organized.

Astronomy Night was held on 10/23. Cloudy but the children had fun and was very well attended. Pictures are up on the website.

Drug Awareness Week was successful! Thanks to the committee for bringing such an important message to our students. Thank you to the staff for introducing the NFL's healthy initiative-"Fuel Up to Play for 60." This is an excellent program to teach children to stay healthy and strong which will help them stand up for themselves!

NEW BUSINESS-

Special Vote on the Capital Reserve Project on Tuesday, 11/17/09. The District cannot spend the funds on specific projects if not voted upon. Voting will take place at BHS from 12 pm to 9pm.

Parent Teacher Conferences will take place on 11/19/09. We will be holding a book fair that evening in the lobby from 4-8pm.

Movie Night Flyer is out. Responses are due by 12/1. Movie night is Friday, 12/4 at the Little Theatre at BHS. They will be playing *Monster vs. Aliens*.

Nassau County Police has created a Parental Education Series. This will be open to all Nassau County parents and will cover topics such as Gang Awareness, Internet Child Exploitation, Sexting, Child Safety on the Internet and Drug Awareness. The first of these lectures will be held at the Police Academy Lecture Hall in Massapequa Park on 11/19 at 7pm about Gang Awareness. The second on 12/3 at 7pm on Internet Safety and the third on 12/10 at 7pm on Heroin and Drug Awareness.

There is no December Meeting. We wish you all a very safe and healthy Holiday season. We will see you in the New Year!



The next meeting will take place on January 6, 2010 at 7:30 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kristin O'Callaghan
Recording Secretary