



Glenwood Elementary School – PTO Meeting – November 8, 2011

- The meeting opened at 7:02 pm
- Staff present: Mr. Gasbarro
- Minutes from the Oct. 11, 2011 meeting were reviewed and approved. A motion was made by Jodi Claussen to accept the minutes and Dawn Beando seconded it. All present were in favor.
- Treasurer's Report: Ana Fawal shared her report with all present. Monies raised from the fall Spirit Wear sales has not been received to date. A motion to accept the report was made by Jodi Claussen and Katie Wittkop seconded it. All present were in favor.
- Business:
 - Playground (basketball hoops):
 - * Greta Gridley mentioned that a school family has offered to install the hoops for the school.
 - * A flyer is going to be sent home to families asking for donations of gently used balls. Nadine Gillis prepared the flyer.
 - * Sheryl Vernon has playground stencils that the school can use! Kevin Smola told Greta that he will paint them if the PTO provides the paint.
 - St. Gobain grant: St. Gobain is giving the school \$1,130 to be used to purchase 2 ELMO projectors. There was some discussion about whether to use the money for the projectors or for something else. Mr. Gasbarro stated that since the grant was approved for the ELMO projectors that is what the PTO should purchase.
 - Past Events:
 - * After School Movie: This event is a great money maker for the PTO! The first after school movie paid for the purchase of the license. Every other movie showing is all profit with the exception of the cost of snacks.
 - * Magazine Drive: The drive was very good this year. The total revenue was approximately \$33,000. The school will receive 40% - approximately \$13,200 less the cost of the trinkets.
 - Mini-Grants:
 - * 5th grade teachers have requested a mini-grant for the purchase of Scholastic News for 170 students. Currently there is a half-price sale – a cost of \$2.10 per issue or \$357. A motion to purchase Scholastic News for the 5th grade students was made by Chris Dinsdale and Dawn Beando seconded it. All present were in favor.
 - Upcoming Events:
 - * Food Drive: The school is hoping to collect one ton of food for the food pantry.
 - * Community Reading Day: Nov. 16th. Nikki Borges has all of the readers lined up! The PTO purchased 1 book for each grade with each classroom receiving a book to stay in the classroom.
 - * After School Movie: a tentative date is Friday, Dec. 9th with the possibility of showing the Smurfs movie!

- Physical Education Grant: The school is in its 2nd year of a 3 year grant. The school district will receive \$3 million dollars from the grant upon completion. Mrs. Holland is going to need data entry help which will need to be completed by Dec. 16th. She said that she can only have 1 parent volunteer at a time because the data needs to be entered on her computer only.
- Spirit Wear: Spirit Wear has arrived and help is needed to sort it in the morning on Tuesday, Nov. 15th.
- Box Tops: There were 1319 box tops collected during the October collection. Box Tops were submitted and the school should receive a check mid-December for approximately \$1400.
- Price Chopper points: Only a few families are registered as Glenwood families. There was a suggestion to have sign-up sheets at the Ice Cream Social so that families can sign up right then.
- Ink Cartridges: Barbara McMahon emptied a full box last week and sent them out.
- Naquag News: The Naquag Winterfest has been cancelled due to not enough volunteers. Also, one of the PTO Co-Chairs has stepped down.
- Central Tree: The school has a gift card fundraiser running until Nov. 18th. The school will receive a % from each gift card sold. On Tuesday, Nov 15th the school has a fundraiser at the Texas Roadhouse in Leominster from 5:00-9:00. The school will receive 10% of the sales from all customers that bring in the fundraising coupon. Spirit Wear will be on sale from Nov. 14th – Nov. 21st. Sharks tickets order forms were sent home to all students. Families ordering tickets should make their checks out to CTMS PTO. Marcia Wozniak is the chair of the event.
- Principal's Report:
 - Mr. Gasbarro stated that the beginning of the school year has been a lot less stressful than last year. He said that having less activities created a nice easy relaxed start.
 - Basketball hoops will be installed in the far end of the parking lot.
 - The RTI (Response To Intervention) is being revamped. The scheduled has been adjusted and is now scheduled by grade.
 - * RTI teams consist of a group of teachers that talk about identified students that need extra help and how to maximize the help that they receive.
 - * To respond to a parent's question on how students are identified, Mr. Gasbarro stated that students are identified by using the following:
 - MCAS tests
 - Oral reading fluency assessments
 - DRA (Developmental Reading Assessments)
 - Math assessments
- The next meeting is scheduled for Tues., Dec. 13th at 7:00 pm in the Art Room.
- Dawn Beando made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 pm and Jodi Claussen seconded it. All present were in favor.

Respectfully submitted by:
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 Glenwood PTO Secretary



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