

SHARP PTA GENERAL MEETING 12-16-14

Meeting called to order at 7:23 by Tammy Raden. She thanked everyone for coming to PTA meeting and welcomed us.

Board introductions- each member introduced by telling name, position, child(ren). Members introduced themselves, as did teachers and principal.

Copies of minutes were distributed and reviewed. Motion to approve made by Tammy Raden and seconded by Colleen Abronski. They were approved.

Membership-

199 PTA Members. We need 200!

Corresponding Secretary's Report

Thank you notes were shared. Mrs. D'Alessandro's class, Mrs. Anderson, and Mrs. Gilbert's class each wrote notes. They are enjoying typing and Xtra Math on the iPads. Miss Gilbert shared how appreciative the class is with them. Mrs. Bruno also wrote a thank you note. Mrs. Redmond uses it to communicate with ESL students.

Mr. Miscioscia

Treasurer Report - (see budget for details)

Each meeting this will be shared. We may be able to post it on eboard. Last page has summary of how fundraisers are doing.

We need to vote on school equipment needs. One is price of printer. Needs to be replaced - \$367. Cartridge World will also be explored if it is more affordable. 3rd page of budget shows where the money would come from for the printer. Printer was voted on and approved by majority.

Audit information was also shared. Audit of expenses and receipts needs to be provided. This was done by Ian Gordon. His services were paid for in the past. Cover letter explains. In the future we want to have a committee per our bylaws.

We will ask parents to do an independent review in the summer to stay in compliance w NJ PTA. Natalie reviewed the line items. We need to approve as a membership. The Board approved it as well earlier in the evening. Majority approved the audit.

Thank you to Dana Gordon for all her work and Ian for all of his work with IRS.

Vice Presidents of Ways and Means' Report

Pump It Up Night to get in sharp gets 5. 3\$ 2 pieces of pizza 5:30 to 7:30

Jan 20th Celebration and Toast to Sharp's 50th 5-9pm. Will find out more soon about seating

Riversharks Sat May 9th. 5Th graders will sing God Bless America and Mr. M will throw first pitch. Mrs. Britton will need a list of who is going and singing. Contact Alpa, Madhuri, or Mrs. Britton

Phillies Night info to come.

Shana and Laurie update on Adult Fundraiser –can't play Bingo at an establishment that does not have a gaming license. We are researching another venue. Have 5 places in mind. If you know of a place that serves 100+ people, please share. The location also needs a gaming license. Synagogue, Greek Church, St. Bart's, Queen of Heaven, Old Orchard Swim Club? Catering hall needs to be licensed. Bowling – mobility issues. People missed bingo. Hoping to have BYOB and PTA will provide soft drinks.

By mid-January will hopefully have a place. Need to plan food and solicit prizes. Set up help needed. Encourage friends and spouse to solicit for donations.

FIFTH GRADE – Christie Cooper

Basketball Snacks – need coordination of snacks and looks like we have helpers. Fifth grade parents can volunteer to sell snacks

Working on layout of

Skate Night in February 10th on a Tuesday. 6:30-8:30.

Last one didn't have big turnout. It was Monday after Thanksgiving.

Vice Presidents of Cultural Arts' Report

Talent Night Chair is Tracey Hoffman. She will need a committee to help her Tues3/31 at Beck. We will have cafeteria from 4pm on. Jade will fill out paperwork at district office.

On Friday Jade and Mrs. Harden will represent school safety team.

Jan 23rd assembly Ken Northridge magician (character ed) and celebration assembly for kids.

Zone PTA Report

Zone PTA reported by Tammy and President's Report - See Notes from Our lack of funding was addressed a subcommittee was developed. Discussing and guiding us for organizing and responding in a united way. Will talk to assemblywoman. Larry Wang is the Board of Ed rep to Zone. His website will have some information. We can share that as a gmail from the PTA.

Zone PTA collecting gift cards. 2 years ago \$7500, last year \$3500, this year \$450 (20 from Sharp). Need is great all year around. Target and Shoprite in \$10 increments.

Mrs. Harden - HIB Awareness Training

See attachment – 6 minute presentation. If it is watched at home, parent can then send an email to tell her you saw it. There is also a student friendly version. This year, Mrs. Harden is focusing on what a conflict is and doing “debugging” lessons. She is teaching them strategies to use. Once “bullying” is said, there needs to be

an investigation. The presentation was shared with the group. Any questions, ask Mrs. Harden

Jade D is now School Climate Committee Representative.

New Business – Mr. M

All were successful:

JDRF Walk we raised over \$2300

Red Ribbon Week

Halloween Parade and parties

Walk Run Clubs – the kids were so excited

Empathy and Acceptance

Book Fair

Spirit Week and Pep Rally Assembly – A big party with rally towels. It was a wonderful

Skating Party

Movie Night

Conferences went well.

This school is special because of staff and community coupled together. He is proud to be a part of it.

Adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted by Stephanie Newcomb 12/16/14