

JAMES W. ALEXANDER PTA, INC.
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
February 10, 2009

CALL TO ORDER:

Vice President Jodi Morgan called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm and led the flag salute. She welcomed visitors Mrs. Minogue and Miss Glonek.

ESTABLISHING QUORUM: (Executive Committee)

Excused from tonight's meeting and those present; see attached list.

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

Secretary's Report: The minutes were approved as distributed.

Treasurer's Report: Julie reported from the Statement of Accounts for January 7, 2009 through February 10, 2009. A beginning balance of \$7,579.84, receipts of \$1,848.53, disbursements of \$1,060.60, and an ending balance of \$8,367.77. The report was filed for audit. (See copy of attached report.)

Correspondence: Tammy read a thank you note from Mrs. Coyne.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Budget and Finance – Kathy Register reported that we had a full house on Bingo Night. Everyone had a wonderful time. She gave a huge thanks to everyone who volunteered their time and supplied the prizes. It couldn't have been done without everyone's help! She went on to say that bingo night raised over \$500 from sponsorships, the 50/50, and snacks. We also collected over 1500 boxtops!

Kathy stated that TGI Fridays Night went very well. We rose over \$400. This Thursday is Applebees Restaurant Day. Use the flyer and 10% goes back to the school. This fundraiser is all day so you can go for lunch or dinner!

The Gift Card Sale will start in March and pick up will be at the May General Meeting. They are great gifts for Father's Day, Graduation & Birthdays. Lastly, she stated that we now collect all toner and ink cartridges. Just drop them off in the milk crate in the office.

Recognitions- Diane Kern reported that Mr. Smith was given a \$25 gift card for National School Counseling Month.

Fifth Grade Activities- Kim reported that the yearbook looks great. She said that the fifth grade t-shirts are in. Lastly, she stated that the WaWa fundraiser will be coming home soon; they need to sell at least 250 coupons.

Founders Day- Jodi reported that there would be a meeting tonight and that Founders Day is next Tuesday.

Family Activities- Cindy reported that there will be a Trenton Thunder Night. We will be selling 50/50 at the game and it is also free bobble head night. It should be a good crowd. The game will start at 7:05 on April 28th or 29th she was unsure of the date.

Health and Safety- April 25th there will be a clean up of school grounds. There will also be a program started that will involve incentive walking for the students. They will be asked to walk a particular route two times a month and the students will receive an incentive for their walk.

Tara discussed the Aqua building directly across the street from our school. There is a hazardous sign which informs people about chlorine gas. The company was contacted and they said they would look into a conversion that would not be hazardous. This was four months ago and they have not complied yet. Tara will report about this matter at a future date.

Newsletter- Jen Haley reported that the newsletter has been completed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nominating Committee- The following people have said they would be willing to be on the nominating committee: Debbie Johannsen, Jennifer Haley, Sue Fox, Ellen Iorio, Jamie Rosica, and Kelli Philburn. She asked if anyone needed to excuse themselves. She then gave a brief description of how the nominating committee works.

NEW BUSINESS:

Local Bylaws Amendments- There were several amendments to the local unit bylaws passed at the convention. Tori copied them and asked that the executive committee keep them with their copy of the bylaws that were received as part of the board packet. Corrections have already been made on the electronic version in preparation for distribution next September.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Board Surveys – Tori e-mailed the surveys as part of the agenda that went out yesterday. She has extra copies here if anyone needs one. She asked that everyone please fill them out and get them back to her by the next meeting. She went on to say that Membership and School Fair committees need to be in place by June at the latest and Budget and Finance needs a skeleton committee by that time as well.

Tori then turned the floor over to Mrs. Stevenson for the Principal's report.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Mrs. Stevenson started off by stating that the Terra Nova 2 test will take place March 2 through March 5. Make ups will be the week of March 9 through 12. She stated that the NJ ASK will take place at a later date for grades 3,4 and 5.

The coat drive was a big success and Mercer Street Friends was very appreciative of the donations. She also added that the book drive has collected over 1000 books. Early Act has done a great job with this and will be donating the books to Womenspace.

Miss Glonek was introduced and announced that she would be retiring at the end of this school year. She stated that she hopes to be a Robin in the school. She has been at Alexander for 40 years and could never leave completely.

GOOD OF THE ORDER OF ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business th meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Debra Conti

Recording Secretary