

Minutes of Birch Hill Elementary PTO

January 14, 2011

Sarah Searles	Dan McGrath	Julie Kelly
Ali Novak	Alison Marisano	Judy Jones
Lisa Klein	Stephanie Finn	Kathy Speidel
Kerry Pillsbury	Mark Lucas	Sandra Haines
Carol Gorelick	Denise Closson	

Sandra Haines, co president, called the PTO meeting to order at 9:30 am and everyone briefly introduced themselves.

President – A few comments from Sandra Haines: The problems with the Yankee Candle Fundraiser have been addressed. Refunds will be given as appropriate. The PTO may conduct a survey next year to determine a different fundraiser – magazines, gift cards, pies....etc.

Principal – NECAP results will be released in early February. Grades 2 – 5 will also be taking a language arts exam and math exam. No grade results posted for this. It is conducted as a measure to see where students compare to other students/school systems.

Vice-President – There will be no ice cream sales this month. We may have popcorn sales until warm weather returns.

Treasurer – Denise Closson presented the Treasurer's Report. The total raised for the Holiday Fair was approximately \$1,800. The Shorty's Fundraiser raised approximately \$138 and the first Box Tops amounted to approximately \$516. The amount raised for Papa Gino's night and Time to Clay has not been calculated yet. Sarah Searles and Denise Closson bought \$200 worth of gifts for four families for Christmas. Lisa Klein made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Alison Marisano seconded the motion. The motion was approved and the treasurer's report was accepted.

Secretary – The minutes from the December meeting were distributed at the beginning of the meeting. Ali Novak motioned to accept the minutes. Sarah Searles seconded the motion and the secretary's report was accepted.

Ways and Means – Mark your calendars for the **Texas Roadhouse fundraiser on Wednesday, January 19.** Thank you for your help and patience during the Yankee Candle fundraiser delays!

Activities – **Movie night is Friday, January 21.** Admission is free. Water and popcorn will be sold. The movie is Bedtime Stories. The **Valentine's Day Dance is scheduled for Friday, February 11.** A **roller skating night is planned for Wednesday, April 6 from 6:00 – 8:00** at Roller Kingdom in Tyngsboro.

Hospitality – The **soup luncheon for the teachers is scheduled for Tuesday, February 15.**

Math Superstars – Math Superstars is running smoothly. Jen Bowman is helping with the copying. Judy Jones is considering an award for the student (s) with 100% participation every year through grade 5. (If there are records of participation going back several years)

The next PTO meeting will be held on Monday, February 7, at 7:00 pm.

Ali Novak made the motion to adjourn. Lisa Klein seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 10:05 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Kelly, Secretary