

**Millersville Elementary School PTA, Inc.  
General Membership Meeting  
December 5, 2008**

**Present:**

Stephanie Caruso (Pres)	Jennifer Conner (Treas.)	Annie Medford (VP)
Jerri Holiday	Ann Harrison	Michelle Nesbit
Lori Skalitzky	Marsha Bradley	Leslie Wilson
Tammy Brendle (Principal)	Sandra Hendrix	Mrs. Corey (Teacher Rep.)

The PTA General Membership Meeting was called to order at 9:35 am at Historic Baldwin Hall.

November's meeting Minutes were reviewed.

MOTION to accept Minutes as presented: Lori Skalitzky

SECOND: Leslie Wilson

Passed

**Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer presented a Statement of Account detailing all outgoing checks and incoming deposits. Previous Balance (from Nov 6, 2008) was \$4545.90. Outgoing expenses for the month were \$6469.72. Income for the month was \$9758.10. Current balance as of December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008 is \$7834.28

**President's Report**

Review of Dates –

Holiday Shoppe	Dec 6
Chorus Concert	Dec 11 @ 2:30 and 6:30
Band/Strings Concert	Dec 16 @ 2:00 and 6:30
Fuddrucker's Night	Dec 15 from 5 to 8pm
Joe Corbi Fundraiser	Jan 5 to 29
Fundraiser Committee Meeting	Jan 7
Skate Night at Wheels	Jan 16

- Flowers will be purchased for presentation to the Band, Strings and Chorus teachers at the Winter Concerts.
- Requested that Ms. Brendle ask 5<sup>th</sup> grade to store all playground balls, toys in the shed at the end of recess. Over \$900 worth of toys were purchased by the PTA and they need to be properly cared for.

**Old Business**

- Awards and Recognition Committee still needs volunteers and a chairperson.
- Committee chairs should have received e-mail notification outlining their responsibilities. This was done to comply with State and National PTA rules, as well as to protect our PTA's Incorporation status and 501(c)3 tax exempt status.

## **New Business**

- Spelling Bee – the PTA would like to host a Spelling Bee for 3-5<sup>th</sup> graders. Cost for the Scripps National Spelling Bee enrollment is \$99.  
MOTION: Michelle Nesbit motioned to spend the \$99 for enrollment in the Spelling Bee. SECOND: Sandra Hendrix. MOTION PASSED
- Laptops for Leaders Contest – this is a membership contest sponsored by MDPTA to win a Laptop computer for your PTA unit. Information will be passed on to membership committee chair.

## **PTA Committee Reports**

### Birthday Book Club

- Two new volunteers have joined the committee. 18 students participated with birthdays in Aug/Sept/Oct/Nov. Invitations will be issued soon for winter birthdays.

### Book Fair

- Lori Skalitzky presented a report detailing this year's event. Sales were up 24.73%. Profit was \$2481.26. Over 125 books were purchased for teachers/classrooms.
- Ms. Corey announced that "Chessie Book Club" materials will be purchased using Book Fair proceeds
- Spring Book Fair dates are April 23 to May 4. Theme will be "Lights, Camera, Action"

### Chili Cook Off

- To be held May 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Gambrills Athletic Club
- Planning meeting will be held in Jan
- Basket themes will be announced via e-mail and newsletter this month

### Newsletter

Articles Due by Friday December 12 to [mesptanewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:mesptanewsletter@gmail.com)

### Cultural Arts

- Three programs have been chosen for Cultural Arts Assemblies
- First, Jan 13 – Mathematical Magic (1 assembly for all grades). Total cost is \$595. Vendor will sell "Mathematical Magic" book for \$10, the PTA will receive \$4 profit per book.
- Second, Feb 12 – Paul Hatfield, The Funny man (1 assembly for all grades). Evening family performance at 7pm @ \$1 per person with bake sale, popcorn.
- Third, Sadecky's Puppets (2 assemblies for K-2, 3-5). Theme is showing respect with Old McDonald Had a Farm storyline.
- A \$300 Grant has been applied for.

### Hospitality

- Hosted Breakfast and Lunch for Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Deli Days are going well

### Membership

- 12 more families with a total of 15 adults have joined this month.

### Safety

- Pretzels have been purchased, packaged by teacher, and stored in metal containers in the walk-in closet in kitchen.
- Need to purchase gluten free pretzels to add for several students. Lori Skalitzky will purchase.

### Yearbook

- 64- page book with add-on booklet for events after April
- Deadline for photo submission is April 1<sup>st</sup>
- Please submit photos on-line at [MES.yearbook@yahoo.com](mailto:MES.yearbook@yahoo.com) or to the office on a CD.

### Adopt A Service Member

- Letter to go home soon detailing requests. An Airman stationed in the United Arab Emirates will be our first recipient.

### **Teacher's Report – Ms. Corey**

- Thanks to the PTA for the breakfast and lunch at conference time.
- Teachers were very happy with their Book Fair purchases for their classrooms
- Everyone loved the recent Author visit

### **Principal's Report – Ms. Brendle**

- School Fundraiser was a big success. \$40,000 was sold with a school profit of \$18,000 for technology. Mega-Party will be held Monday Dec 8, volunteer parents are requested.
- Awards Assembly went well with lots of enthusiasm for good grades and behavior.
- Behavior Necklace awards have been achieved by 80% of the students.
- School Newsletter can be found on-line now.
- Please participate in Parent Survey on bullying. A parent Pass Code is provided on-line in the school Newsletter. 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will take the survey in school.
- The Human Relations committee has placed a Glove-Hat-Scarf Tree in the lobby to benefit the local community.
- Second round of Flu Mist vaccine will be Dec 10<sup>th</sup>
- Classroom Holiday parties will be held on Dec 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Polar Express Day is Dec 23<sup>rd</sup>! Wear your PJs, fuzzy slippers (with rubber/leather soles) and robes to school. A Movie will be shown in school. Parents are asked to send in Polar Express books, movies to classrooms.
- Tutoring through the Severn Run Church begins Jan 6<sup>th</sup>. 14 children in grades 3,4,5 will participate with 7 tutors.

MOTION to adjourn Meeting: Sandra Hendrix

SECOND: Lori Skalitzky

Meeting Adjourned.

Next Meeting is Jan 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM in the Media Center at MES.