

## Lyon/Pleasant Ridge PTA Minutes

June 2, 2009

President Jennifer Massarelli opened the meeting at 10:35 a.m. in the Pleasant Ridge Library.

In Attendance: Kevin Dorken, Matthew Rich, Kristen Borth, Jennifer Massarelli, Robin Hinrichs, Laura Olsen, Karen Toomey, Debbie Wells, Jen Farber, Susan Desmond, Colleen Mackimm, Karen Friedman, Liz Price, Cheryl Kasner, Mary Hershey, Wendy Ban, Betsy Garvey, Michelle Langenbach, Ana Cassorla, Rula Marziani, Sue Swaringen, Sabrina Briggs, Sandy Brennan, Susan Ohlandt, Lindy Hood, Greg McWilliams, Dina Silver, Maria Woltmann, Lisa Zimpler, Laura Smith, Halleh Akbarnia, Jon Everson, Kathy McCarthy, Kathy Lawler

### **Officer's Reports**

President— Jennifer Massarelli introduced the new executive board: Lindy Hood 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Karen Toomey, Treasurer, John Everson Assistant Treasurer and Anne Carreon Secretary. Anne Carreon was not at the meeting due to recent surgery. Robin Hinrichs will be taking minutes in her place today.

Jennifer Massarelli shared a conversation that she had with Gloria Pedrelli and Mary Tapia about a possible Cultural Enrichment project at Lyon. Gloria Pedrelli shared about an Artist in Residence that Kris Zanta had done at Henking. The children had created Mosaics of glass and ceramic tiles. The project provided a great art experience for the students and brought the school community together to create a wonderful wall piece for the school. Jen and Gloria talked with Mary Tapia about doing a similar thing at Lyon.

Jen talked about how wonderful it is to be able to provide these things for our kids. To be able to do that, we will need to keep up our fundraising. We don't really want to do the wrapping paper sale, car wash, bake sale, etc. In order to avoid piecemeal our funding, we need to run some kind of benefit. Jen emphasized that the party could look very different, though. It doesn't need to be the auction in the tradition way that it has always been done. Please help Jennifer spread the word that we are looking for people to help. Think about it, talk about it, casually and socially and see if you hear

anything. Just by talking over the weekend Jen got four people to sign-up to lead the Henking/Hoffman benefit.

After discussing these issues some more during the transition briefing time, Jennifer Massarelli and Jen Farber decided to send out an Eblast to discuss ideas for a benefit. Watch your email.

Jen also announced that we still need a co-chair of International night. It's a very fun experience. If you know someone who might be interested, let Jen know.

Treasurer—Karen Toomey asked everyone get their receipts to Laura by June 30<sup>th</sup> so that you can get reimbursed.

- I. **Transition Briefings**—Outgoing committee chairs discussed roles and responsibilities and shared written instructions/information with the new chairpersons of their committees.

## II. **Announcements**

June 5--5th grade picnic/ Lyon School Field Day

June 10 --Last Day of School / Pleasant Ridge Field Day

August 11—Class lists posted at Lyon and Pleasant Ridge

August 26—First Day of 2009-2010 school year

- III. **Adjournment**— Jennifer Massarelli adjourned the meeting at 11 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin Hinrichs, Acting PTA secretary