

Lyon/Pleasant Ridge PTA Minutes

March 9, 2010

President Jennifer Massarelli opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Lyon Learning Center.

In Attendance: Jennifer Massarelli, Lindy Hood, Anne Carreon, Karen Toomey, Jon Everson, Karen Friedman, Dina Silver, Meg Costigan, Laura Olson, Greg McWilliams, Cheryl Kasner, Peggy Callas, Deb McMahon, Debbie Wells, Halleh Akbarnia, Angie Katsamakis, Melissa Brady, Christa Leone, Marg Plante, Ana Cassorla, Gloria Pedrelli, Susie Feldstein, Margaret Warner, Leslie Howell, Kristen Borth, Doug Morgan, Kristin Miller

Approval of the Minutes

Motion—Karen Toomey

Second—Karen Friedman

The minutes of the February 9, 2010 meeting were approved.

I. Officer's Reports

Treasurer—Karen Toomey

- Benefit netted over \$45,000
 - Brought in more income this year
 - Spent less money as well (food, etc.)
 - Cash raffle brought in \$14,000
 - Putting challenge brought in \$540
 - Class gifts brought in \$12,000 in revenue
 - Sign up parties brought in \$10,000
 - Cash donations brought in \$5800

President—Jennifer Massarelli

- Spring grants
 - We are now in a position to give out grants due to the success of the benefit
 - Three step process:
 - Administrators review and rank the requests
 - A parent meeting is held to gather feedback
 - Wed., March 24th at 7:00pm in PR Media Center
 - Hoping to accommodate working parents
 - Exec board also offers scores and feedback
- Kindergarten registration
 - This Thursday, March 11th
 - PTA slide show will be running
- Need for Literature Alive rep
 - Only need to attend a couple of meetings
 - Also attend last night of PR Book Fair (May 27th)
- Upcoming newsletters
 - If you have info you want in this week's newsletter, please send that to Jenn by tonight
 - If you have info that you want in the following newsletter, please send that to Jenn by Tuesday, March 23rd
- PTA Council meeting is this coming Thursday due to conferences last week
- Open forum was held last night at Attea regarding how we are moving forward as a district
 - Losing 4 top level administrators to retirement in the next few years
 - District hired an administrative head hunting firm
- Another letter came home from Dr. Hill regarding state funding
 - Please contact your legislators

II. Committee Chair Reports

Benefit—Dina Silver

- Recap meeting tomorrow Wed, March 10th
- People really enjoyed the more casual atmosphere
- Goal for raffle ticket sales was \$14,000 to make up for scaling back the auction
 - We met this goal
- Getting a good response to sign up parties that didn't fill up the night of the event

Jump Rope for Heart—Kristin Miller

- Raised \$43,000 and some money is still coming in

International Night—Val Rosenberg and Margaret Warner

- Friday, May 7th
- If you have any suggestions for entertainment, please contact Val or Margaret
 - Ahead of schedule but could still use more entertainment
- Currently have 12 country rooms
 - Greek room has volunteers but needs a host
 - India needs volunteers
 - UK needs volunteers
 - Israel has a host but wants a co-host
- Need volunteers for night of event – sign-up sheet being circulated

Spring Book Fair—Susie Feldstein and Colleen Mackimm

- Event is Wed., May 26th and Thurs., May 27th
- Set up on Tuesday, May 25th
- Theme is Fishing for Books

Cultural Enrichment—Gloria Pedrelli

- Mosaic artist is starting at Lyon the first week of April
- She will be here all of April and May
- The mosaic design is complete
- Multiple parent volunteers will be needed due to the intricate design
 - No dates and times are known yet
- Hoping for installation around May 28th

III. Guest Speaker—Officer Rubin Medina, Glenview Police Department

- “Keeping our children safe: issues impacting kids in Glenview”

IV. Unfinished Business/New Business

- None to report

V. Announcements

March 8-12—ISAT testing, PR

March 11—Kindergarten registration, Lyon, 4:30-7:00pm

March 16—PR Dad’s Group meeting, PR, 6:15pm

March 24—PTA grant discussion, PR, 7:00pm

April 8—Dad’s Breakfast, PR, 7:15am

April 13—Next PTA Meeting, PR, 9:15am

April 16—Family/child Olympiad, PR, time TBD

VI. Adjournment—Jennifer Massarelli adjourned the meeting at 11:30 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Carreon, PTA secretary