

Valley View PTO Meeting Minutes

October 4, 2011

Sign In: Kathy Zakrocky, Stefanie Wachter, Kristie Glenn, Deb Banker, Tracy Florence, Amanda Cohn, and Jodi Hetterman.

Meeting Time: 9:32am

President's Report:

*Kristie thanked everyone for attending and extended a special thank you to Tracy Florence for chairing a successful Welcome Corn Roast. Tracy was asked to talk about wins/loses of the Corn Roast and what we can do differently for the upcoming year.

*Kristie reported that the PTO has budgeted for a staff luncheon during Parent-Teacher Conferences on October 27, 2011. We need to feed 50 staff members and the following eateries were recommended:

Brunch Café', Kim & Patty's, Old Towne Pizza, Olive Garden, Happ Jack's, Chili's, Subway and Boston Market.

Dinner will be ready by 4:30pm. Budget is \$700, but we need to conserve our funds. Amanda Cohn stated that she will contact LaRosa's Subway to see how they can help us.

*Kristie also informed us that Steak Fry invites and tickets have been approved and purchased by McHenry Printing. McHenry Printing gave us a \$40 discount. The total amount was \$156 for 800 5 x 7 invitations and 200 tickets. McHenry Printing created our Steak Fry Raffle tickets, which is still going on in the office, \$1 for 1 or 6 for \$5. The staff member that sells the most tickets will win a \$50 gift card. You do not have to be present to win the raffle money. We are looking to set up a raffle table and Steak Fry ticket table at the upcoming Book Fair on October 20, 2011.

*Kristie concluded with our Hog Wild Fundraiser profits of \$11,000. We only received 40% from Frozen product, not the 50% profit as originally stated by Tim Liccoi, the MRZ representative. We still need the prizes and iPod Touch from Tim to be awarded to Macy Kamp, 1st grader in Mrs. Pozzi's class. We've only encountered 3 issues with the fundraiser so far, and have worked with Tim to resolve.

Vice President's Report:

*Stefanie concentrated on the upcoming Steak Fry Event on November 12, 2011 at the VFW Post on Hwy. 120, McHenry. She passed around the 3 page list of donations. Stefanie asked for any willing participants in seeking donations.; there are only 4 people currently working on the donations requests. She stated that we only received one response from the parent donation request flyer sent home.

*The Laser Show Assembly held on September 29, 2011 was well liked and enjoyed by the students. 5th grade boys stated it was the best assembly ever! Stefanie stated that the presenter did a better job during the K-2 laser show by discussing No Bullying and then presenting a laser show, then repeated another discussion and showed the second part of the laser show. During the 3-5 show, the presenter spoke

for a great length of time and then presented the laser show; students became bored in the beginning, but loved the show. It was well worth the \$895 and suggest having the show again. All agreed that having 2 shows provided better crowd control and worked better for the students.

*A special thank you was extended to Megan Zelms and her husband for taking the time to paint the gym windows so the Laser Show would be a success. The total cost of painting the windows was \$61 and it can be removed if needed.

*Red Ribbon Week is October 20 – October 26th. \$150 has been budgeted for this event and will be given to Jodi Hetterman to purchase apples for all students at Valley View. The theme is “Making Right Choices.” We will end Red Ribbon Week with the K-9 Assembly by the McHenry Police Department. Jodi Hetterman is chairing this event and has planned the following:

*Crazy Hair day, Red Day, Hat/Headband day, and Sports day.

*One Student per day will make a healthy choice announcement.

On October 14th, McHenry County will have their Red Ribbon Kick Off Event. Valley View is taking winners of the No Bullying Posters to meet the mayor and enjoy the presentation.

Treasurer’s Report:

*Kathy stated that we had a \$11,000 profit from the Hog Wild Fundraiser. We have an unresolved \$618 order, and charge back from a bounced out of state check. We spent \$4,200 on 10 document cameras for each grade to share; the remaining balance will go towards covering schedule events and supplies at Valley View. Our balance to date is \$38,833.04, but we have to pay MRZ their portion of the fundraiser profits, spirit wear, Steak fry, Fall Social and Book Fair to date.

Principal’s Report:

*Amanda stated that the first order of Spirit Wear is being passed out to the students. There was nothing missing from the initial order.

*Amanda also informed us the Ms. Katie Sollors has started a Family Book Club. A flyer was sent home with students in the 4th and 5th grades and the books have been purchased and passed out to the students that signed up.

*Amanda contacted Officer Adams to inquire about presenting a free information night for parents about Bullying and Cyber bullying. A Valley View parent night will be open to the district.

Committee Reports:

*Welcome Corn Roast: Tracy Florence encourages the use of the Google Volunteer Chart for sign up at next year’s event as well. She sent out the document to the entire staff and parents and it shows areas of need and where one can sign up. Tracy also suggested that the school house the product for the Corn Roast for it is too much product to keep at ones home. She also suggested making committees prior to the end of the year. Tracy stated that the \$5 gift card from McDonalds’ goes to Kalen Hart for her recycling donations. Tracy stated that the recycling program has potential, but containers are open and could encourage trespassers on the

school campus after hours. The Corn Roast was profitable by \$700 and \$108 from the Steak Fry Raffle.

*Book Fair and Fall Social will take place on October 20th. Deb Banker is chairing the Fall Social and will get donuts and apple cider from Royal Oaks Farm. Jenny Lucas is chairing the Book Fair event.

*Campbell Soup Labels: The label points have not been used since July 2008. Tracy Florence will become the chairperson and the PTO decided to use the points earned to purchase more balls for the playground during recess. Deb will contact Brenda Cain to ask for bin and other labels.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50am.