# EVS PTA MEETING February 11, 2010

# CALL TO ORDER

President Kris Briand called the meeting to order at 6:37PM. She thanked all participants for attending.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

#### Secretary/Principal's Report

Motion to accept by Kristen Barnum. Second by Jen Seiler.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Kristen Barnum shared a copy with all participants (see written report for full details).

Our current checking account balance is	4022.88
Our current ING balance is	12100.31
TOTAL	16123.19

Motion to accept by Tracy Cacciatore. Second by Sarah Schneider.

#### **Membership Information**

We are up to 114 members as of our most recent family fun night.

#### Website Information

2,226 visits to the site since the beginning of the year. The site has been up for approximately a year. We will continue with this domain and Jen will take care of the details of renewal.

#### **Business Membership Plan**

Jen talked about the membership program and asked for input regarding a "push" for this business-PTA-membership. There was general discussion regarding inviting IRS and CES to be a part of a greater collaborative effort for businesses. There was general consensus that we should continue moving forward with finding businesses to be members – with a membership for the remainder of this year and for all of the next school year. This item will be placed on our March agenda.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **QSP** Reader's Digest Fundraiser

Tracy introduced Wally who works for QSP. Wally showed us the QSP website and described how the program works. EVS already has an account through the company due to previous work with QSP. There is great flexibility in the program and the company offers a variety of magazines and gifts. There are no specific "time frames" as this program does not require the kinds of sales/fundraisers we've had in the past. EVS would receive a monthly checked based upon a percentage of the sales made online.

Wally also talked with the membership about a cookie dough fundraiser that he would be able to organize with us.

Wally also shared with the membership about Bear Fair – (Be Excited About Reading) --Magazines published for children.

#### **Before and Afterschool Information**

Sarah talked with the membership about afterschool programming. She is interested in bringing a Spanish language program to EVS with More than Spanish, however, this program would cost \$25. per student for the duration of the program. There was general discussion regarding the charging students for the cost of programming.

Kristen suggested that if we were to charge for programming, that a flat rate might be a good option.

There was general consensus that a flat rate for afterschool programs is most appropriate.

Sarah shared programs that will be offered before and after school.

#### Children's Stage Adventure Program Update

Kris gave an update on the program. We're up to 27 children who will be participating including a handful of kids from CES. The Schiffendecker's have offered housing for the actors. Krystal has helped to organize hair and make up with students from the school of hair design. We will feed the kids with a pizza party on Friday afternoon before the performance. There will be an afternoon dress rehearsal from 1:15-2:15 on Friday that is open. The show is at 6:30 on Friday here in the gym. The stage will be set up on Wednesday afternoon.

### PTA Support for Communication with Parents/Staff

Tabled until March meeting.

# **COMMITTEE INFORMATION**

#### **Family Fun Night**

Karen shared an example of work she has done in the past in preparing information about a country for the international family fun night. The date was set for May 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8PM.

#### **Fundraising Information**

The group decided to hold a spring fundraiser combining the QSP and the Otis Cookie Dough

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Kris shared the certificate presented to the EVS PTA by the New Hampshire State PTA for our membership efforts last year.
- Claudette Peck thanked the membership for their support at the Deliberative Session and for the childcare that we provided. She also encouraged all members to vote on March 9<sup>th</sup>. Polls will be open from 8-7 at Whitney Hall.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:03PM.