

FINAL

Approved at 4/01/09 PTA Meeting

North Star PTA Meeting

Date/Time: January 21, 2009 at 7:00pm
Location: North Star Elementary/Multi-Purpose Room
Attendance: Attendance Sheet in PTA Office File: PTA Meeting 1/21/09
Note: A quorum was present for the meeting.

AGENDA

Introduction and Welcome
Pledge of Allegiance/North Star Pledge
Introduction of Board Members
Board Presentations
Principal/Vice Principal's Message
Presentation by Kim Snyder – DSTP Parent Guide
Presentation by YMCA Camp Programs
Closing/Meeting Adjourned

Visual: Power Point Presentation in PTA Office File: PTA Meeting 1/21/09

INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

Julia Montgomery - Called the meeting to order. Introduced Board Members

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND NORTH STAR PLEDGE

Julia Montgomery led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and recited the NS Pledge.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Andrea Lanciault

Fun at North Star on Inauguration Day! VCRs in many of the classrooms for children to watch the inauguration all day long.

Introduced 5th Grade Service Project – guest speaker Joe McDonough talked to children about the B+ project and raising money for cancer research. North Star supports little acts of kindness. More to come on this community service project!

Introduced Kim Snyder. Andrea left early to attend the Red Clay Board Meeting and Brandywine Springs.

KIM SNYDER – DSTP Parent Guide

Kim Snyder - District has been using DSTP test for over 15 years. Writing portion eliminated for 3rd and 4th graders. Math and Reading will remain for now. 2009 may be the last year for the DSTP test. Other test will replace it. Kim presented the Parent Guide, available on our website: www.nspta.com.

AMY WHITE – YMCA

Amy White - Presented information of YMCA summer camp offerings, specifically Camp Tockwogh. For more information, please visit their website: www.tockwogh.org or call 1-800-331-CAMP. Traditional camps for young children.

VICE PRINCIPAL'S REPORT-

Ann Wilson – Reviewed 2008-2009 Assembly Programs: 1 Bullying, 2 Jump Rope Champion, 3 YoJo and Good Nutrition, 4 Sandcastles and Importance of Mathematics. Proposed the addition of one assembly to program list. Acapulco group would like to perform at North Star in April or May. Normally charges \$5,000.00 per show but will charge NS \$500.00. One of the members is a personal friend of a North Star parent. Adding this show would put us over budget.

Motion: By Jill McCormick

Move funds in order to cover the \$500.00 needed for show.

Vote: Majority Approved

Margo Miller – Called meeting on Julia Montgomery's cell phone. Asked for additional money to fund the 5th grade Stock Market Game. Have 7 teams and \$600.00, need \$100.00 additional dollars.

Motion: By Jill McCormick

Move funds in order to cover the \$100.00 needed for game.

Vote: Majority Approved

PRESIDENT

Julia Montgomery – Reported that there is a new suggestion box in the teacher lounge. Trying to better understand the teachers' needs. Box will be opened by Board only. Board is trying to better serve the needs of the teachers.

VICE PRESIDENT

Candy McDermott – Reported that the Launch Program is running smoothly.

DIRECTOR OF STUDENT SERVICES

Julie Edmiston - Julie reviewed our upcoming PTA sponsored events.

Bingo Night – We made \$460.00/OM made \$350.00. Will order more bingo cards for next year, sold out!

Tile Night - 2/26/09 (Combined with Book Fair Family Night) Forms are due 1/30.

Roller Skating Party – 3/25/09

Yearbook – Cover winner to be announced soon. We need photos!

DIRECTOR OF SCHOOL SUPPORT

Kristy Adkins – Next luncheon is 2/4 – Superbowl theme. Staff Appreciation Committee will be in touch with needs.

Mary Ellen Charno is continuing to receive new memberships. Please join the PTA!

We are in need of snacks and water for teacher meetings. Please donate.

TREASURER

Jill McCormick – Jill presented the December Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

SECRETARY

Becky Abbott – Scholastic Book Fair scheduled for 2/23-2/27. Book Fair will be open on Thurs. 2/26 during the Tile Night event. Volunteers needed.

Go Green Stats: 589 e-mails fielded, 62 mass e-mails sent, 2300 website hits.

Motion: By Becky Abbott

To approve e-minutes from 11/5/08 meeting

Vote: Majority Approved

DIRECTOR OF FUNDRAISING

Gillian Waugh – Reach For The Stars Basket and Silent Auction Event will be on Saturday, April 25th at the Hockessin Fire Hall. We are in need of classroom basket coordinators. Our next meeting will be 2/4 at 10:00am at Pure Bread Deli in Pike Creek.

Product Incentives to date: \$6,300.00

Meeting Adjourned: 8:26pm

Submitted by: Becky Abbott, North Star Elementary PTA Secretary 11/6/08