

JOHNNY APPLESEED SCHOOL PTO
PTO MEETING
10/6/09 7:00 P.M.

Meeting began at 7:10 p.m.

- A. Introduction of PTO Board Members: Kerrie Mellen introduced Johnny Appleseed PTO Board.

- B. 50th Birthday Celebration
 - a. Kerrie reviewed the PTO plans for a birthday party celebration on Friday, November 6th at the school from 6:00-8:00 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Johnny Appleseed School.

- C. Magazine Drive
 - a. Kicked off today and will run through October 20th.
 - b. One of our biggest fundraisers; last year profit was \$14,000. Paula Barnicle, one of our first grade teachers, coordinates this annual event which is in its 26th year.
 - c. Kerrie also reviewed guidelines for incentive prizes

- D. Pizza King
 - a. John St. Jean of Pizza King, and also parent of a second grader presented the PTO with a check for \$200 from a fundraiser with Pizza King last spring.
 - b. Patti also thanked Pizza King for helping to coordinate deliveries for the class pizza party winners after the Lawn Party last May.

- E. Ongoing Fundraisers
 - a. Natalie Stassen reviewed the Scripps Program as well as ongoing fundraisers that directly help raise funds for school: Shaw's, Boxtops for Education(Maureen Halliwell-coordinator), recycle ink cartridges and cell phones(Lisa Gilmour-coordinator), Target, Hannaford, MyCokeRewards, Campbell's, Capri Sun.

- F. Auction
 - a. Patti DeAmicis updated the group on the auction as well as reviewed overall plans for this big event.
 - i. Class gifts-each class will donate a class gift; organized by a room parent and the teacher.
 - ii. Auction will include silent auction, live auction, "Taste of the Town" dinner buffet, raffles, etc.
 - iii. Parents were encouraged to be part of the auction itself-even if regardless of time available for commitment-no amount of help is too small.

- iv. More information is available about the auction on the PTO website: www.jaschoolpto.com

G. Playground Committee

- a. Lisa Gilmour looking for at least two additional members for this committee. Recent additions are Tara Warren and Rich Pearson.
- b. The committee raises funds through a poinsettia sale during the holiday season and also received funds from the Boxtops for Education program. Funds are used to replenish mulch as needed, purchase additional equipment as well as picnic tables.
- c. Kristin Cote, parent of a kindergartner, volunteered to join the committee.

H. Principal's Moment

- a. Dr. Meg O'Hearn-Curran distributed information about the IPOD cart, Mobile learning center, and MAC lab that we are raising funds for this year.
- b. Working on sponsorships for memorial plaques to be placed on individual computers in the new MAC lab. Looking for someone to help coordinate this venture.

I. Books and Beyond

- a. Sharon Skinner reviewed the Books and Beyond program with the group. This year's theme will be "Birthday Celebration", in honor of the 50th Birthday of Johnny Appleseed School.
- b. The program will kickoff toward the end of November.
- c. Donna Kinney volunteered to do Books and Beyond for the third grade.

- J. Cold Stone Creamery Fundraiser-Michelle Cotton will coordinate this fundraiser again this year, taking orders for ice cream cakes and pies before Thanksgiving. Cold Stone Creamery will come to our next PTO meeting with samples, also.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.