

AGIS PTA General Membership Meeting
June 1, 2011

In attendance: Dawn DeMuth, Wanda Prosser, Pilar Norenberg, Kristin Donohue, Cindy Murphy, Amy Lengel, Kelly O'Doherty, Karen Wenner-Pedersen, Bobbi Kozel, Brian Gaerity, Teresa Hanrahan, Donna Paraskewich, Fran Armstrong, Todd Harvey, Leslie Erb-Wallace, Marsha Flood, Kelly Vaughn, Kathy Mantell, Laurie Casarino, Monica Mapes, Nicole Nunn, Mary Drinker, Christin M. Johnson, Heather Waldman, Melissa Naylor, Tina Bennett, Tony DeFelice, Anthony DiEmidio, Brian Yohannan, Tina Bennett, Tracy (?), Abby Linderman, Kelly McGuffin, Kristen Reichwein, Ginnie Goldovich

- I. Meeting called to order at 10:10 a.m.
- II. Minutes- The minutes from April 26th, 2011 will be approved at the first meeting of 2011-2012 PTA
- III. Treasurer's Report
 - a. The checkbook has \$56,932.
 - b. We still have outstanding payments to make
 - c. Bookfair Revenue is still coming in
- IV. Principal's Report
 - a. Mr. Harvey thanked the PTA Officers, especially those who are moving on the FSEMS next year.
 - b. In light of budget cuts, the school is asking the PTA to finance over \$30,000 of school groups, upgrades, etc. for next year. This will be decided when the PTA votes on next year's budget later this morning.
 - c. 6th grade is moving towards a middle school model.
- V. New Business
 - a. Welcome to the 6th grade teachers.
 - b. Motion was made by Anne-Marie Nowak, and seconded by Karen Wenner-Pedersen to accept David Villa as Vice-President for AGIS PTA next year. Motion passed.
 - c. Leslie spoke her thanks to everyone for the great year the PTA had, and stated she is ready to move on and start new challenges next year.
 - d. Rachel's Garden-need someone to take charge of this special garden and make sure it gets the care it needs.
- VI. Old Business
 - a. Fundraiser
 - i. Much discussion about having an envelope fundraiser for next Fall (2011) as opposed to a catalogue drive. Given that the school is tax-funded and taxes are going up, some people were concerned that it would fail.
 - ii. A Carnival and a Read-A-Thon were other ideas proposed, but it was felt that those needed more advanced planning time than we had available.
 - iii. Restaurant coupon book only raised @\$300 when done a few years ago.

- iv. A vote was held, with 5 people voting for a catalogue drive and 12 people voting for an envelope drive.
 - b. PTA's 2011-2012 Budget
 - i. Mr. Harvey has asked that the PTA fully fund all academic competitions for next year. We currently fund around 30 percent.
 - ii. Three options were presented for the budget:
 - 1. Fully fund all academic competitions
 - 2. Continue to fund competitions at 30 percent
 - 3. Do not fund any academic competitions.
 - iii. Discussion centered around:
 - 1. Need roughly \$30,000 left as start-up money for 2012-2013
 - 2. Should the PTA drop teacher grants and spend the money directly on children?
 - 3. Since the PTA is dropping field trip funding, we no longer can claim to spend money on every child in the school.
 - 4. A vote was held to continue funding teacher grants. Anne-Marie Nowak motioned that we continue funding the grants. After Amy Lengel seconded, the vote passed
 - 5. A general vote was held regarding the three option. Option one received 4 votes, Option two received 11 votes, and Option three did not receive any votes.
 - 6. Karen Wenner-Pedersen made a motion that the PTA continue to fund academic competitions at 30 percent and accept Option Two as a budget for next year. Bobbi Kozel seconded. The motion carried.
 - c. Announcements- remember June 16th is the last day of school.
 - d. Upcoming Board meeting dates
 - i. June 7th- Finance Committee meeting at 5 p.m.
 - ii. June 9th- School Board meeting at 7:30
 - iii. June 16th- School Board meeting at 7:30
- VII. Adjournment- Leslie motioned for an adjournment at 11:35. Karen seconded and the motion was passed.