

P.S. 334 The Anderson School – PTA Executive Board Meeting 11/13/12 - Approved Minutes

Attendance: 15 Board Members

The meeting started at 6:30pm.

- I. Budget:**
 - a. **Budget Surplus:** We discussed the budget surplus again.
 - b. **Budget Process:** Bojan Stoyanov (Budget Committee Co-Chair) spoke about tying PTA funds to enrichments and electives, with flexibility for administration spending.
 - c. **Books & Beakers:** Funds from the books and beakers fundraisers will be spent on books and science equipment (such as microscopes, magnets, prisms, etc.).
- II. Fundraising:** Jennie Thompson (VP, Fundraising) reported that
 - a. **Movie Night:** Halloween Movie Night was a great success.
 - b. **Thanksgiving Eve:** We need volunteers for Thanksgiving Eve.
 - c. **KidCreate:** KidCreate on 12/1 is a community event for K-8, put on by all the schools in the building. Our teachers are involved and services will come in. Joy motioned for a \$5 optional donation with a \$500-\$1,000 per school expenditure. This was approved unanimously.
 - d. **Penny Harvest:** This year's Penny Harvest will be called "The Hurricane Harvest" and be extended to grades K-8, rather than K-4.
 - e. **Hurricane:** There are Chancellor's Guidelines about what we can and cannot do to raise funds for hurricane relief. For example, we cannot do sales for tickets, bingo, or directly solicit. We can adopt a school. Mindy Wigutow (PTA Rep to the SLT) said she has helped P.S. 41. Supplies were requested, rather than fundraising. Student Council did a great job organizing supplies. recently We may put box tops towards a school.
- III. Audit Committee:** We didn't get a contract to sign yet.
- IV. Treasurer's Report:**
 - a. **Cash Management:** J.P. Eggers (Assistant Treasurer) made a motion to move funds to a 1-year CD and savings accounts with a higher rate, since we are getting such a low rate and we will need new accounts. This was passed unanimously.
 - b. **Stock Donations:** Stock donations will now be accepted for the Direct Appeal – a Fidelity account was opened.
 - c. **Amazon.com Account:** We set up an Amazon.com account for school purchases.
- V. Community Affairs:** Joli Golden (VP, Community Affairs) reported that:
 - a. **Sibling Policy:** The DOE has a new G&T sibling policy, which will have a negative impact on parents, and it was put through with no parent input. We collected about 125 letters so far in protest of the changes. We sent letters to the Chancellor and PACE sent a letter.

- b. **PCBs:** Principal Hyde is looking at the lights with the custodian.
- VI. **Auction Update:** Committee has decided to curtail asking for donations during the Hurricane Relief. Beacon Paint has been extra generous.
- VII. **Journal:** Christine Cirker cannot do the journal. Joy has asked some other vendors. Teachers would like to do the auction art project and journal projects the week before Christmas.
- VIII. **Minutes:** October's PTA Executive Board minutes were approved unanimously.
- IX. **Adjournment:** We adjourned at 7:40pm