



## **Minutes – September 14, 2009**

by Stephanie Hubler, Recording Secretary

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### **WELCOME / OPENING ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Devin from Domino's came and spoke about fundraising options for us and also donated several pizzas.

Introduction of new officers:

Sheri Waldman – President

Kim McKeown – Vice President

Jennifer Melcher – Treasurer

Lauren McCloskey – Corresponding Secretary

Stephanie Hubler – Recording Secretary

Welcomed the New Hanover Upper Frederick parents.

Guest Speakers: Mrs. Saurman, Mrs. Gamler and Mrs. K. Moyer talked about the Character Education Program. There has been a decline in respect throughout the school. This initiated a school wide revamp character building program. The six pillars of character **trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, citizenship** – promote leadership qualities in the students. Street signs that support the character building have been placed in the different hallways of the school. Children make personal goals for each quarter. They promise to do my best to achieve this goal. Acknowledgement card can be given to the students. Have you filled your bucket today? This is a great book to read to have a great start it has been read to the students at school. Parents can get involved at home by asking are you a bucket filler/bucket dipper? The Book of Virtues – William J. Bennett is wonderful books for parents suggested by Mrs. Sauerman.

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

#### **BALANCES**

General Account - \$33,585.12

Outdoor Learning Account - \$3,923.74

Ziegler Account - \$4,043.03

Dr. Christman explained what the Ziegler was and it was left to the school by a former principal.

2009-2010 Budget copies available

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

September 21 Market Day Pick-Up (5-6 pm)

September 22 Preschool Story Hour (11 am)

September 28 Skating Party (6-8:30 pm)

October 5 HSA Meeting (7pm)

October 6 Preschool Story Hour (11am)

October 12 TGI Friday's Fundraiser

October 16 Parent Visitation Day

October 19 Market Day Pick-Up (5-6 pm)

October 20 Preschool Story Hour (11 am)

October 23 Covered Dish Social

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Sheri explained a few of the things that the HSA is responsible for:

- Gold message notepads and K-3 folders
- Volunteers for picture day
- Safe homes pledge, volunteer forms, membership envelopes (only \$5 per family)
- Teacher allocation
- Scholarship recipient (\$700 – Alexandra Shoup)
- Volunteers for picture day and to help with 1<sup>st</sup> grade lunches
- Prior to the HSA meeting there was a “Committee Chair” kick off meeting

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **WELCOME BACK LUNCHEON**

Lenore Weber out did herself this year. It was an Asian theme and everyone loved it.

### **KIDS STUFF/ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS – Stephanie Hubler reported**

We are handing out both books at parent's night the sale ends October 2<sup>nd</sup>. There is an incentive drawing to win a bike or a \$100 gift card. Entry for family per book sold.

### **FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL FORMERLY CALLED COVERED DISH SOCIAL – Cristen McTamney reported**

This event will be held on October 23<sup>rd</sup> if you would like to help contact Cristen or Jill Vincent.

### **SPIRIT WEAR – Stephanie Hubler reported**

We are currently selling cash & carry t-shirts. October we are going to be doing a spirit wear order look for order forms coming soon. If there is an item you would like contact Steph at [schubler@comcast.net](mailto:schubler@comcast.net) or 610-306-9132.

### **HOMEROOM PARENTS – Lauren McCloskey reported**

Homeroom parents' form has been extended to Friday. Ms. Piazza needs a homeroom parent. There is a homeroom parent meeting prior to the HSA meeting at 6:30 on October 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **NEW FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY – Lauren McCloskey reported**

R&D Team out of Limerick they work for various companies doing taste testing. You can sign up on line and you can make money for tasting those products and for each person they will donate a \$1.00 to GES.

### **MARKET DAY – Jennifer Melcher reported**

It can be a huge income earner for us. We need to promote Market Day and encourage parents to place orders on line. We will also have different samples at GES HSA functions.

### **BOX TOPS – Karen Place reported**

Send in your box tops in an envelope we will have contests again this year.

### **CAMPBELL'S SOUP LABELS – Mary Rath reported**

We only need the UPC codes on the soups and the caps on the drinks.

### **TARGET CARD FOR EDUCATION – Kim McKeown reported**

Register your Target card and select GES for the school and we will get 1%.

### **REDNER'S SAVE A TAPE – Kim McKeown reported**

You need to turn in entire receipt and the HSA will get 1%.

### **SPRING BASKET PARTY – Erica Fisher reported**

Spring basket party bring your food bring your friends it is a fun night! Soliciting businesses see Mary Rath. Save the date for March 26<sup>th</sup>.

### **YEARBOOK – Ana Meder reported**

We need people to bring in a camera and take pictures. Everything is digital and it is really easy. They are looking for additional members on the committee. See Ana Meder or Mary Kay Shehan.

### **SKATING PARTY**

Pheasantland skating party September 28<sup>th</sup> for \$3.00

## **PRINCIPAL'S NOTES - Dr. Christman Reported**

- It went smoothly with the new children and the kindergarteners went well also.
- Everyone is pleased with the new teachers.
- Picture day this Thursday.
- Skating party Dr. Christman encourages you take your children.
- October – Unity Walk October 11<sup>th</sup>. No Place for Hate coming together and activities for children.
- October 16 parent visitation day. You need to park at the fire company and you will be shuttled.
- Power of One it is a bullying assembly. It is about the victim and then you bully and the bystander.
- Fall Party October 30 at 2:30.
- With the “Quiet Zone” in the cafeteria the lines are moving quicker.

## **NEW BUSINESS – Sheri Waldman reported**

We received Honorable Mention in PTO Today.

## **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Cristen McTamney motioned

Michelle Debkowski 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion