



Parker-Varney PTG Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 16, 2011

Attendance

Administration: Kathleen Turner (Principal)

PTG Board Members: Mike Reedy (Co-Pres), Kristin Reedy (Co-Pres), Kelly Jobel (VP & 4th), Jessica Deleault (Treas), Tanya Zinck (Sec), Liane McNamara (Sub-committee Coord)

Teachers/Staff: Mary Delay (2nd), Dagmar Franke (3rd), Mary Barry (4th), Lisa Reed (K-2 SPED)

Secretary's Report

The February 15, 2011 meeting minutes were reviewed and accepted.

Treasurer's Report

As of 03/15/11, the PTG general fund total was \$19,739.47. An additional \$497.16 had been designated for use by specific grades (K, 1, 2, 3, 5). The Scrip account total was \$4,855.33.

Software: The current Quicken software being used is very basic and limits the PTG's ability to manage and analyze financial data. There is PTO software that would enable the PTG to give relevant reports and have web-based access. Another possibility might be upgrading the current software.

Sub-committee Update

Bingo Night: Will be Tuesday, March 22, 2011 from 6-7:30 pm (snow date: Wednesday, March 23, 2011). A few more volunteers are needed for setup, check-in, food (pizza) and cleanup.

Fundraising Update

Scrip: P-V gets a percentage of gift card sales purchased through this program. Gift cards can be given as gifts or used for everyday purchases. Order forms will be going home Monday and will be due April 1, 2011.

P-V Dine Out Nights: When you patronize the following establishments on these dates and mention Parker-Varney, a portion of their proceeds will go to P-V!

Dec. 14 – Nadeau's Subs – raised \$135

Feb. 9 – Shorty's – raised \$132

March 22 – Bingo night at P-V, 6:00-7:30 pm

April 9 – Applebee's, pancake breakfast 8:30-10:00 am, \$5 for pre-purchased tickets, volunteers are needed to help

May 19 – Chuck E. Cheese, 3:00-9:00 pm

June 11 – Fisher Cats Game, 7:05 pm, tickets will be on sale in April/May.

Ice Cream Social: Will be Thursday, April 21, 2011 from 6-7:30 pm. Grades 4&5 will be hosting the bake sale. Grades will be collecting items with the following themes to create baskets to be raffled:

Preschool – Rainy Day Fun (puzzles, finger paints, playdough, coloring books, etc.)

K&3 – Cooking with Kids

1&4 – Outdoor Fun

2&5 – Family Game Night

City Year is planning to volunteer and donate a Family Movie Night basket. Thanks, City Year!

Volunteer Update

Volunteers are needed for Bingo Night, the bookfair, Ice Cream Social, Applebee's pancake breakfast, Teachers' Appreciation Lunch and Field Day. Please contact Tiffany Joseph, another PTG board member or your child's teacher if you would like to help.

Donations Update

Donations are currently being solicited for the Ice Cream Social.

Box Tops Update

P-V continues to rank high in the state for the size of our school. The next contest will be in May. Please continue to send in Box Tops, used printer cartridges, old cell phones, Campbell's Soup labels and Coke Rewards codes.

Other Topics

Teacher Appreciation Lunch: Will be Friday, May 6, 2011 from 11 am-1 pm. Volunteers are needed for this opportunity to show P-V teachers how much we appreciate their commitment to our children.

Nurses and Secretaries Days: Ideas were discussed about showing our P-V nurses and secretaries how much we appreciate all they do for our school.

Field Day: Will be Thursday, June 2, 2011 (raindate: June 3, 2011). Planning has begun for this fun annual event which has included an obstacle course, face painting, water games, bounce houses, tug-o'-war and other fun games with hoola-hoops and parachutes in the past. Volunteers are extremely important to the success of this yearly tradition.

Flip cameras: Will investigate availability of cameras to be used for student portfolios. If purchase is necessary, the board will be contacted by e-mail for approval.

Administration Address

AED: Would like to have one at P-V by September. Will be researching costs. Will need pads for children and adults.

Playground/Master Plan (Grounds/traffic flow improvement): The Building and Sites Committee accepted Option #1. The Mayor and Aldermen would like more feedback from affected neighbors. Will update as more information becomes available.

Donated Money: Meeting scheduled next week.

School Improvement Grant (SIG): This has been approved by the School Board. Money to be used for professional development to improve reading & writing scores, behavioral program, assessment tool training, computer tablets for instructional purposes, Prometheus boards, CPI training, parent resource center, extension of school time, Everyday Math consultant, etc. Will be pooling resources with Southside so Grant money can be utilized more effectively.

NECAPS: P-V students' scores increased 10% in reading and 5% in math. This is something to be very proud of!

Upcoming PTG Meeting Schedule

The following meetings will be held from 6:00–7:00 pm: Tues., April 12, 2011 and Wed., May 18, 2011.

**Thank you to everyone who attended this meeting and to
the City Year Team for being available to provide childcare!**