

JFK PTO MEETING
June 9, 2010

In Attendance: See attached

Prior to the start of our meeting Dr. Maryrose Caulfield-Sloan gave a presentation about the new language arts program, Literacy by Design. She described the program and its' implementation in our schools and provided a question and answer session. According to Dr. Caulfield-Sloan, JFK will retain their travel program for fourth and fifth graders.

Meeting called to order at 7:02 by Karen Marron. Jackie Prince recorded the minutes.

Jackie Prince moved to waive the reading of the May 2010 minutes and to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded. The motion passed and the April 2010 minutes were approved as written.

Principal's Report: Presented by Mr. Erck

- The Jackals game was a lot of fun and a very nice event for all who attended.
- Thank-you to Mrs. Marron. You've been great and deserve a round of applause.
- Thank-you to the current Executive Board.
- Thank-you to all the PTO volunteers for what you do for students and staff. It makes our school special and the PTO does a tremendous amount for our school that would not be possible without everyone's participation.

- **Schedule of Upcoming Events**
 - ❖ June 10th is the third annual art show. Thank-you to the PTO for their help with the display. The art show starts at 6:30.
 - ❖ JFK was the winner of an ice-cream party for selling the most tickets to the Wayne Alliance basketball game. The ice-cream party will be held on June 21st.
 - ❖ Grade 5 has DARE Graduation on June 16th.
 - ❖ Grade 5 Moving Up Day is June 18th.
 - ❖ There will be early dismissal on June 21st and June 22 at 1:15.

- **Grade Level teachers for 2010 - 2011**
 - ❖ Fifth Grade: Three sections taught by Mrs. Klein, Mrs. Tagliamonte, and Mrs. Indomenico.
 - ❖ Fourth Grade: Three sections taught by Mrs. Lignelli, Ms. Gultz, and Mr. Wagner.
 - ❖ Third Grade: Three sections taught by Mrs. Sponenburg, Mrs. Viola, Mrs. Perle.

- ❖ Second Grade: Three sections taught by Mrs. Sedicino, Ms. Keugler, Mrs. McClane.
- ❖ First Grade: Four sections taught by Mrs. Bellusci, Ms. Shea, Ms. Lynch, and Mrs. Garuto.
- ❖ Kindergarten: There will be three classes, teacher to be determined. Mrs. Bedosky will be on maternity leave.

Teacher's Report: Presented by Mrs. Klein

- ❖ Thank-you to all the parents. We very much appreciate all the help and support that you give us. It makes it a wonderful school.
- ❖ Thank-you to all the Fifth Grade parents who came on the field trip.
- ❖ Camp Warwick was a huge success. The children had a ball and enjoyed it. It was also probably the best high school group on this trip. They were extremely helpful and respectful.
- ❖ At Camp Warwick JFK presented an ice-cream cake and special t-shirt for Mr. Hawkins to commemorate his retirement.
- ❖ Field Day was a big success.
- ❖ Thank-you very much for the pool party. It was fabulous and the kids loved it.
- ❖ On June 5th the Fifth Grade had their visit to AWMS.

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Caroline Mastres

Co-President's Report: presented by Linda Marchesini and Karen Marron

- ❖ The Art show is tomorrow, June 10th. We are working very hard and need anyone who is available to help to come after school to help set up the multipurpose room.
 - ❖ We have samples from Ashley Farms of items we will have at the Fall Fundraiser. Please help yourself.
 - ❖ Thank-you to everyone who came to the luncheon for Karen Marron.
 - ❖ Thank-you to Karen Marron and Caroline Mastres for their service on the Executive Board, we will miss you.
- Linda Marchesini presented a sample safety sign for placement in the school parking lot next year. Mr. Erck would like to have approval from the Police Department before any sign is hung.
 - An informal vote was taken to increase the budget for Field Day from \$1,850.00 to \$2,200.00 at the luncheon for K. Marron.
 - A motion was made to increase the budget for Field Day from \$1,850.00 to \$2,200.00. The motion was seconded. The motion passed. The budget for Field Day will be increased from \$1,850.00 to \$2,200.00.

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Presented by Linda Brooks

- We received thank-you notes from the teachers for the luncheon and the pies.
- The children from Mrs. Rhea and Mrs. Scornavaca's classes wrote thank-you notes to the PTO.

Committee Chair Reports

- ❖ **Cell phones:** Kim Miatke reported that although she signed us up for a new collection service this year but that company is now out of business. The PTO will need a new company for next year.
- ❖ **Photos:** Jenine Long reported that she has been in touch with Davis Studios. They are restructuring under Chapter 11. We have been assured that our dates for next year are secure.
- ❖ **Year Book:** Ruthann Ferguson reported that we are looking into a web-based service to design the 2010-2011 yearbooks. Pricing will depend on the size of the class.

Old Business

- ❖ **Field Day:** Dina Hulbert reported that the day was a big success. The children loved the DJ. The food was great but very expensive. Other options for food service will be explored for next year.

New Business

- ❖ **Carnival:** Hillary Carusso reported that she has been working with Linda Marchesini to organize a Back-to-School Carnival for September of 2010. All grades are being asked to create a carnival booth for the event.

Installation of officers for 2010-2011

- Mr. Erck installed the following officers to the Executive Board for 2010-2011
 - ❖ Linda Marchesini and Risa Rizzo – Co-Presidents
 - ❖ Hillary Carusso – Vice President
 - ❖ Denise DeSimon- Treasurer
 - ❖ Francine Cuciti – Assistant Treasurer
 - ❖ Jackie Prince – Recording Secretary
 - ❖ Linda Brooks – Corresponding Secretary

Open Discussion

- ❖ There was no open discussion

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting and was seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 pm.

Attendance for June 9, 2010 Meeting:

Richard Erck
Ellen Klein
Hillary Carusso
Linda Marchesini
Karen Marron
Francine Cuciti
Caroline Matres
Kim Miatke
Ann Marie Buzelli
Rosemary Colella
Suzanne Farulla
Denise Hammer
Michelle Trentacosta
Jenine Long
Ruthann Ferguson
Patricia De La Motte
Dina Hulbert
Risa Rizzo
Angela Moskal
Linda Brooks
Jackie Prince