

November 16, 2010 Nashua PTA Meeting

In Attendance

Christy Boyer	Craig Grant	Dani Bachman
Sandi Brown	Christy Janeczko	Tracy Cooper
Edie Buchanan	Gina Nosal	Jill Coulture
Erica Campbell	Jessica Martin	Vivienne Tenelong
Deb Crisafulli	Kendra Lowe	
Joan Skare	Eva Payne	
Mark Dieckman	Lisa Sparks	
Rebecca Fowler	Sherry Thomas	

Opening

The meeting was called to order by Christy Boyer. A formal agenda was distributed.

A copy of the PTA Meeting Minutes was distributed via e-mail for review. Motion to approve the minutes from Gina Nosal and second from Christy Janeczko. Motion passes.

Principal's Report

Jessica Martin distributed a formal Principal's Report to the attendees and provided a quick overview.

Treasurer's Report

Christy Janeczko provides a current Treasurer's Report. Sandi Brown motions to approve the Treasurer's Report and second from Sherry Thomas. Motion passes.

Officer/Chair Openings

Christy Boyer reports that Kelly Cowan has agreed to be the Treasurer for 2011. Christy Janeczko, current Treasurer, will be moving to Chicago at the end of this year. Kelly Cowan was not present at the meeting so a formal voting could not take place.

Christy Boyer notes that the PTA will need a 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President and Co-President for the next school year. We need parents to volunteer and take part.

New Business

Mark Dieckman requests that the PTA discuss purchasing new bracelets for the PBIS Team. The bracelets are then given as rewards for those kids who are chosen to be on the Star Bulletin Board. The bracelets are also available for students to purchase with Star Bucks. The new bracelets would cost \$305 to order.

Erica Campbell motions that the profits from October and November Wendy's Nights be used to pay the \$305 for new bracelets for PBIS. Motion is seconded by Craig Grant, motion passes.

Santa Shoppe

Erica Campbell gives everyone an overview of the dates and times for the Santa Shoppe. Erica also notes that the box delivery will be on November

17 and there will be 12 to 15 boxes, she needs input on where the boxes could be housed until the setup takes place. Mrs. Martin will talk with Louise and Rita on where to put the boxes.

Memorial Update

Sherry Thomas gives the group an overview of what benches and stones would cost the PTA to have a memorial for Tyler McDowell.

Christy Boyer tells the group that after much discussion with many other PTA Parents she would like for the PTA to discuss/change the original idea of the PTA to purchase a memorial for Tyler McDowell. Instead and from this point forward the PTA should take up a private collection from those who wish to donate for memorials rather than using PTA Funds. Jill Hoover and Lisa Sparks would be the contacts for this fund raiser.

Mr. Dieckman asks about the rocker in the Media Center...which was purchased, by PTA, in memory of JaiShaun Johnson last school year.

Sandi Brown states the rocker was purchased by the PTA, however it caused much conflict among the members of PTA. This had much behind it...JaiShaun was no longer a student at Nashua or in the NKCS D, many parents felt that the funds that are collected, earned, raised by Nashua students, parents and teachers should be used benefit the school students, teachers and staff (which is why the rocker was purchased – it gave a bit of compromise). The rocker was a nice addition to the Media Center.

The rocker was purchased for \$60 from Cracker Barrel and Sandi Brown put several coats of navy blue paint on it over the summer. Elaine Chaddock got the plaque that was made and then placed on the rocker.

Sandi then brought it to the school Media Center at the beginning of the school year.

There are no disagreements with the new decision. Rebecca Fowler suggest that the PTA hold off on asking for donations until after the Christmas Holiday...as this is a time of year when people may want to donate but funds are too tight. Everyone is in agreement.

Parking Lot Lighting

Mrs. Martin looked into more lighting for the back parking lot at the school due to discussions, at the last meeting, about how very dark the lot is when people are leaving to school at night ...especially in the winter months. NKCS D would not approve the additional lighting, even if it were on a timer or motion sensor. The District believes that it creates more an opportunity for people to “hangout”.

Decorating Supplies

Sandi Brown reports that there is a large box of decorating supplies in the PTA Cabinet that, at one time, were being used to decorate the windows and walls in the cafeteria. As time has passed no one has taken on the decorating duties and the box takes up a great deal of room in the PTA Cabinet, which is very full. Sandi asked Anne (Food Services) to look through the box and take whatever she wanted to use for the lunch room bulletin board. There are still a lot of supplies left. Sandi would like for

PTA to discuss and decide to donate the supplies to either Nashua Baptist Church or New Mark Care Center.

Edie Buchanan asks if there needs to be a Committee put together to take on the decorating duties.

Christy Boyer states that the PTA is already trying to run with far too few volunteers. Sandi Brown states that she has stated, more than once, that the PTA needs someone to take on the position of Bulletin Board Chair and no one has stepped up to decorate it. The PTA Bulletin Board is a small time commitment (once a month) and an easy task. Therefore, she does not see anyone taking on the task of decorating the Cafeteria.

From this comment Dani Bachman and Gina Nosal both agree to take on the duties of decorating the PTA Bulletin Board.

Deb Crisafulli suggest that we should talk to the Art Teacher at Staley High School and see if there are any students that would be interested in decorating the Cafeteria windows for A+ hours. Deb reports that students from Oak Park High School decorated the windows at Clardy Elementary School last year and it was an incredible sight. She will contact Staley's art teacher to see if they would be interested.

Book Fair Update

Sherry Thomas reports that the Book Fair total sales came to \$4,082.03, which is great news for our Library/Media Center.

Sherry also reports that due to lack of volunteers to help with the Book Fair, we miss out on many opportunities to generate more money through the Book Fair.