

**Edna Maguire School PTA**  
**Association and Executive Board Meeting**  
**Wednesday, January 7th, 2009; 8:40-10:00am**

Attendance: Deb Luster, Anne Fretes, Suzanne Alpert, Nandita Stachon, Valerie Wynn, Margaret Krivoruchko, Leslie Lewczyk, Katrina Kehl, Shaila de Leede, Janet Fox, Saor Stetler, Kathy Bishop, Mari Allen, Max Perkoff, Lisa Zimmer, Bruce Berlinger.

1. Call to Order (8:50 am)

- a) Thank you to Judy Sherman from Edna Maguire PTA for school board appreciation month.

2. Reading & Approval of Minutes from December 3rd, 2008 Association and Executive Board meeting.

- a) Motion to approve minutes by Mari Allen.
- b) Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Suzanne Alpert.
- c) Minutes approved.

3. Treasurer's Report-Suzanne Alpert

- a) \$60K in checks were written to the district to purchase computers.
- b) \$16K in checks were written to the district for classroom funds.
- c) Following checks to be approved: 2723 - 2770 not including 2726 and 2763 which are void checks.
- d) Motion to approve checks by Janet Fox.
- e) Motion to approve checks by 2<sup>nd</sup> by Valerie Wynn.
- f) Checks approved.

4. Principal's Update - Lisa Zimmer

- a) A new phone system has been installed and can be used to notify everyone in case of emergency or for announcements.
- b) Judy Sherman suggested that if the announcement is not an emergency, messages should only go out once a week.
- c) The new phone system will make Edna's emergency phone tree superfluous.
- d) Bruce Berlinger asked if there is an emergency like an earthquake, can the phone system be disabled.
- e) Judy Sherman replied that there is a 6 hour emergency backup on phone system.

- f) Family Math Night is on 1/22/09 from 5:30 to 7:15 pm. We still need 14 volunteers.
- g) Teacher staff meeting will be held 3 times a month instead of 2 times a month.
- h) The teachers will be working on curriculum in small groups.
- i) Conflict managers are back and Andrew Frierson will train 4<sup>th</sup> graders.
- j) Need more parents/teachers on Site Council.
- k) Site Council works on Site plan, ITF, parking situation, etc. We need a 3 year commitment, but if anyone wants to volunteer for a year, Lisa Zimmer is ok with that.
- l) Site Council needs 7 parents and 5 teachers.
- m) Site Council meets once a month.
- n) Lisa is still working with the 5<sup>th</sup> grade on aggressive behaviors.
- o) Jason meets with boys and Lisa meets with the girls.
- p) Lisa and Jason are using Ophelia Project.
- q) Movie "Kids and Money" might be appropriate for parent/student education.
- r) The movie could be shown to students and parents on a voluntary basis.
- s) "The Story of Stuff", a movie about how consumption effects the environment may be shown during Earth Week.
- t) Edna Maguire has been flagged for a Star Testing irregularity in one classroom.
- u) There will be an investigation by the district.
- v) The School Board will be involved in resolving the Star Testing Issue.

#### 5. Co-Presidents' Report and Discussion - Katrina Kehl and Leslie Lewczyk

- a) 2009/2010 PTA Positions and Nominating Committee
  - i. Now forming nominating committee for 2009/2010 school year.
  - ii. Nominating committee needs 5 members and 2 alternates.
  - iii. Mari Allen, Suzanne Alpert, Sterling Sommers, Deb Carney, Deb Meagher will be on the nominating committee. Merrie Jaffey will be an alternate; we still need one more member.
  - iv. We would like parents with children in K, 1st, and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade to be involved in nominating committee.
- b) Discussion of PTA Bylaws
  - i. There are no changes in the PTA bylaws.
- c) Discussion to move PTA banking relationship
  - i. Edna Maguire PTA will switch banks in order to get better banking service.
  - ii. Tam Bank is being considered
  - iii. Valerie Wynn makes a motion to change bank from BofA.
  - iv. Deb Luster 2nds the motion.
  - v. Motion to change banks has been approved.

## 6. Vice Presidents' Updates

- a) VP Student Well-Being - Anne Fretes
  - i. Nothing to report.
- b) VP Programs - Janet Fox
  - i. Lucy Hampton reported that there was a break-in to Middle School Emergency container.
  - ii. 1,500 calorie bars have been purchased for emergency situations.
  - iii. See's Candy fundraiser will take place again this year. The proceeds will go to Walker Creek ,Sutter's Fort and the general fund.
- c) VP Site Enhancement - Bruce Berlinger
  - i. There was a big turnout for last Sunday's cleanup day.
  - ii. The Compass Rose will be installed soon.
- d) VP Fundraising - Stacey Ciauri (not at meeting)
  - i. Janet Fox requested that we find a way to recognize the Sponsors donated to Steeplechase.
  - ii. Janet suggested we create a little tag to go on keychain to identify Edna Maguire parents using vendors who supported Edna.
  - iii. Mari Allen reported that the Book Fair raised \$5,390.72.
- e) VP School Community - Margaret Krivoruchko
  - i. The Art Show dates have changed to 2/6/09 to 2/12/09.
  - ii. The evening event will be held on 2/10/09.
  - iii. Art show will need volunteers starting on 1/12/09.
  - iv. The PTA Executive Board/Association Meeting will be changed to 2/10/09 to coincide with the Art Show evening event.

## 7. Teacher Liaison Report - Nandita Stachon

- a) The teachers in lower grades are having great difficulty monitoring the Walk to School Program.
- b) Teacher appreciation Luncheon was great!

## 8. Garden Report - Saor Stetler

- a) There will be a Garden Workday on Saturday.
- b) Whole Foods will provide snacks and their green team.
- c) The Sloat Fundraiser is coming up.

## 9. Kiddo! Report

- a) Trisha Garlock's father passed away.
- b) The corresponding Secretary will send condolences on behalf of Edna Maguire PTA.

## 10. Announcements

- a) Pony Express --- Thursday 3pm Deadline for Monday Pony.
- b) 1/14 - School Board Meeting, 6pm, District Office.
- c) 1/19 - NO SCHOOL - MLK Holiday.
- d) 1/22 - Family Math Night, 5:30pm, Multipurpose Room.
- e) 1/26- NO SCHOOL, Staff Development Day.

Meeting adjourned at 10:04 am.