



Northview PTO Minutes **Sept 14, 2009, 7pm Northview Media Center**

- In Attendance** Board members: Holly Jenkins, Shawna Peters, Barb Schmitt, & Maryann Passe
Staff members: Kathy Carl, Mary Pat Kurt: Kindergarten representative
Committee leaders and parents
- Technology Demo** 6:15-7pm. Kathy Fleck, 4th grade teacher, gave a demonstration of her Smart Board and Document Camera.
- Call to Order** 7:05pm. The meeting was called to order by President Holly Jenkins with a welcome to all and introduction of Board members
- Principal's Report** This year's staff theme is: Bring Your Joy & Talents to Education
- Professional Development Book Studies for our faculty are:**
- *Strengthsfinder 2.0* by Tom Raith
 - *The Explosive Child* by Ross W. Greene
 - *Mind Sets!: Reset Your Thinking & See the Future* by John Naisbitt
- Five Goal Areas of focus for the year are:**
- Technology literacy
 - Character Education Service
 - Equity Academic Goal
 - Restructuring Special Education, Services, and Sensory space
 - Differentiation of Instruction & Services, Gifted Education, Young Scholars, and other Special Programs & Services
- Northview School Improvement Site Goal:**
The percentage of all students in grades 3-5 at Northview Elementary School who earn achievement levels and meet the Standards or Exceed the Standards on Reading MCA-II/MTAS will increase from 87.9% in 2009 to 88.9% in 2010.
- Service Project: Impacting Lives, Kids Against Hunger**
- This is a school wide service project on Nov 13th.
 - Our students will fill food bags to go to children in need around the world.
 - Students are encouraged to earn, save, & donate their own money up to \$15/child.
 - Many parent volunteers are needed. Please contact Nancy or Jeff Baliff at 651-686-0256. Volunteer forms are also available (in hourly sessions) in the school office.
- President's Report** Holly Jenkins reported that we have had a great response from volunteers for the many PTO events for the year.
- We served 732 ice cream bars at the School Open House
- Thank you to: Families that served ice cream, Deb & Syd Foster for the beautiful Northview Gardens, Dunn Brothers Coffee for the coffee, muffins, & scones and Cub foods for a gift card for the Staff Welcoming Breakfast
- Potential PTO Ideas for the year:
- We hope soon to start collecting foil juice bags for fundraising & recycling. A coordinator is currently gearing up the program.
 - A Schwans Truck sale
 - SCRIP
 - A school wide Fitness Night and/or Saturday Fitness event
- To implement any new programs we need volunteer coordinators.

VP's Report Shawna Peters reported on PTO Volunteer status

- We had a great response to our Volunteer Sign Up sheet sent out with the school calendar.
- We are still looking to fill PTO Liaison positions for every classroom.
- Coordinator positions for all the upcoming fall events are filled.

Treasurer's Report Barb Schmitt and Holly Jenkins (last year's treasurer) distributed the Sept financial report. Discussion was postponed until the budget discussion under New Business.

Committee Reports

Food Perspectives **Kym Howe** explained how Food Perspectives works: each time you are paid (she has received up to \$100) and \$10 goes to **NVPTO**.

We have 47 people signed up to participate. We need to keep a roster of at least 30 to be a participating group.

NV Spirit Wear **Heather Moody** has been researching lots of fun ideas. We would like to have a limited number of choices and a range of prices.

Student Directory Holly reported for **Amy Johnson** that 9/18/09 will be the last day to input your name to be included. Maryann Passe is helping Amy with the pre-press production. We hope for delivery around 10/12/09.

Kemps/LandO'Lakes **Shana Fouts** said that the Kemps labels are ready to be sent in and asked for a donation of a box of a specific size for shipping.

Chip Shoppe
Fall Fundraiser Everyone responded well to the food items served at the school open house. The kick off is on Wed, Oct 23rd at 2pm at school. Orders are due on 10/7.

Culver's Night **Holly Jenkins** reported. We still need hosts for the monthly events and a coordinator.

School Tool Box Holly Jenkins reported that **Tressa Thomas** is leaving the coordinator position but is willing to train someone in to take over this Spring.

Box Tops Holly Jenkins reported for **Kathryn Sabel** that we are expecting \$984 in December from last springs contest. This year's contest is coming in Oct/Nov and **NVPTO** will be awarding a traveling trophy to the overall winning classroom.

It was suggested that we combine Campbell Soup labels in the contest in the future.

It was reported that Rainbow Foods sometimes has coupons for extra Box Tops points in their advertisements.

New Business Budget Discussion and Approval

Ms. Carl was called away and the meeting was running late so Maryann Passe motioned to table the budget discussion and approval until the October meeting. Shawna Peters seconded and the motion was passed.

Adjournment 8:25