

## Zionsville Middle School PTO Meeting Minutes



**November 5, 2008**

The Zionsville Middle School PTO met for its regular meeting on Wednesday, November 5, 2008 at 9:15am at Zionsville Middle School, Room 516.

Present: Frances Pokrifcak, Nancy Drake, Cathy Gavette, Jami Farrell, Carol Mead, Angie Leary, Sue Trewartha, Rose-Ann Mazanek, Becky Coffman, Brian Boggs, Kay Stebbins, Sean Conner, and Jill Sibila

President Frances Pokrifcak called the meeting to order at 9:25am. Frances welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked everyone to introduce themselves. Rose-Ann Mazanek moved for the approval of the ZMS PTO September 2008 minutes. Jami Farrell seconded the motion, the motion was approved.

### Principal's Report – Becky Coffman and Sean Conner

- Red Ribbon Week occurred last week. The timing was difficult due to Fall Break. However, each grade participated in Red Ribbon Week activities.
- Veteran's Day's Convocation is scheduled for November 11. Fifth and Sixth graders will meet at 8:15am and seventh and eighth graders will meet at 10:00am. Dr. Bill Long, Assistant Superintendent of Center Grove Community Schools is the scheduled speaker.
- Many performances are scheduled in the next couple of months. Please refer to the ZMS calendar for dates and time.
- Community Conversation Town Hall Meeting will be held Tuesday, November 18 at 7:00pm at Zionsville Town Hall, 1100 Oak Street. The meetings focus on teen decision making in our community. This Town Hall meeting will focus on dealing with stress in a healthy way.
- Through the financial support of a ZEF grant, Sean Conner and five other educators attended the "Taking Technology Above and Beyond" conference in Denver.

### Treasurer – Frances Pokrifcak for Brian Biggs

- PTO currently has \$22,000 in cash which will most likely cover the rest of the year without accessing the savings.
- PTO continues to receive teacher grants.
- PTO approved reimbursing Terry McCain \$55.00 for DNS renewal.

### Membership – Frances Pokrifcak for Julie Rauschuber

- Frances to follow-up with Julie concerning the tree planting and letter notifying the family and also to express appreciation.

#### Secretary-Jill Sibila

- Nothing to report.

#### Vice President-Frances Pokrifcak for Jami Farrell

- Meijer's school code for Zionsville is #742693.
- School Pix school code for Zionsville is #QDF7
- Committee looking into participating in the Coke Rewards program.
- Holidays at Amazon.com volunteer gift wrap fundraiser is scheduled for Dec. 2, Dec. 3 and Dec. 4 from 9am-12pm and again on Dec. 9 from 6-10pm. Sign-up sheet was passed around.

#### Volunteers-Frances Pokrifcak for Dawn McKnight

- Please use the entire volunteer list.

#### Newsletter – Frances Pokrifcak for Dee Dee Medaris

- Deadline for November newsletter is Nov. 20.
- Use Times Roman font. Do not change fonts when submitting newsletter items.

#### Directory-Frances Pokrifcak for Christina Gibson and Mary Hilton

- Correct phone numbers for schools are on the PTO website. Cut this out and paste it over the information on page one of your directory.
- Extra directories are on sale for \$2 in the office.

#### Spirit Wear-Frances Pokrifcak

- Pajama Gram information will be on the PTO website soon.
- Overall sales for Spirit Wear are down this year.

#### Student Appreciation-Frances Pokrifcak for Jill Lange

- Nothing to report.

#### Staff Appreciation-Frances Pokrifcak reporting for Angela Carr

- The November Staff Appreciation lunch went well.
- The committee is gearing up for the cookie walk to be held in February.
- Teacher birthday recognition continues to go well.

#### Book Fair-Rose-Ann Mazanek

- Book Fair was a great success. The profit of \$1809 was \$1000 over last year. Over 35 books were purchased for teachers. The raffles resulted in six students receiving \$10 gift cards, two teachers receiving \$20 gift cards and one teacher receiving a \$50 gift card.

#### Wellness-Frances Pokrifcak for Erin Wilson

- The Walking Program has concluded until spring.
- Discussion occurred surrounding the potential dates for a Health Fair and its relation to Z Run.

#### Box Tops-Carol Mead

- Frances Pokrifcak introduced Carol Mead as the new committee chair.
- Box Top for Education Marketplace will donate up to 8% to ZMS for qualifying online purchases.
- October's winner was Mr. Elkins' class.

#### 5/6 Fun Night-Frances Pokrifcak for Chantelle Dodson

- No report given.

#### 7/8 Upper-class Night

- Scheduled for March 20 at the Boys and Girls Club.
- Looking into re-naming the event.

#### Reality Store- Frances Pokrifcak for Mary Ortel & Susie Pozywio

- Nothing to report

#### Change a Child's Christmas- Sue Trewartha

- Will be held Dec.1 through Dec. 5.
- Student Council will be doing commercials and posters for publicity.
- Sherwin Williams donated 10 white paint buckets.

#### Z'Run- Frances Pokrifcak for Angela Baker

- Nothing to report.

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Party

- Ice cream sales have netted \$220.

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Day

- Marsh donated half of the popsicles and PTO provided the other half.

## New Business

### PTO Council

- Next meeting will be held November 7 at 9:30am at ESC with Dr. Robison.

### Memorial Bench Project

- Tree is planted, concrete slab is done and the bench is coming in the next few weeks.

### Town Hall Meeting

- The next Community Conversation Town Hall Meeting will be held on November 18 at 7pm.

### PTO Board Search

- Frances asking everyone to start considering fulfilling next year's PTO positions.

### Announcements

The next ZMS PTO meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 9 at 9:15am at the Drees Model Home in the Brookhaven subdivision.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jill Sibila  
Secretary