Zionsville Middle School PTO Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2009

The Zionsville Middle School PTO met for its regular meeting on Tuesday, February 10, 2009 at 9:15am at Zionsville Middle School, Room 516.

Present: Frances Pokrifcak, Carol Mead, Angie Leary, Brian Boggs, Mary Hilton, Sean Conner, Mary Ortyl, Candace Reid, Rose-Ann Mazanek, Angela Baker, Dawn McKnight, Jill Lange, Sean Conner and Jill Sibila

President Frances Pokrifcak called the meeting to order at 9:30am. Frances welcomed everyone to the meeting. The January 2009 minutes have been submitted but have not yet been posted on the PTO website, so motion for approval will take place at the March meeting.

Principal's Report – Sean Conner

- Sean Conner referenced the February 6th email that was sent to all ZMS parents in regards to the three 7th grade students who were in possession of marijuana at the school. The goal was to confirm the incident to parents and to hopefully open a dialogue between parents and students.
- Sean Conner also referenced a local bus accident and that ZMS is currently reviewing our traffic flow.
- The State of Indiana has approved to review Zionsville School Corp. usage of textbook fee to cover technology.
- Outside resources are currently evaluating the laptop program.
- Sean Conner thanked Frances Pokrifcak and Jami Farrell for coming to the 4th grade parent meeting. Approximately 200 parents were in attendance.
- ZMS will not be selling supply boxes at Open House.
- Sean Conner will look into the possibility of getting supply lists onto the ZMS website sooner.

Treasurer – Brian Biggs

- As of 1/31/09, cash in checking is $17,325.91 and cash in savings is $10,377.
- Income for January 2009 was $2287.23. Year to date income was $21,204.32.
- Projected income at year end is expected to be less $93.00. This can be covered by the savings balance. Income from Spirit Wear and the Amazon fundraiser gave an unexpected combined income of $2,928 for January.

Membership – Frances Pokrifcak for Julie Rauschuber

- Holly Waidelich will be chairing Membership next school year.
- The committee will not be offering membership incentives next year.

Secretary - Jill Sibila

- January minutes are complete but not yet posted on PTO website. Will approve January minutes at March meeting.

Vice President – Frances Pokrifcak for Jami Farrell

- Committee is looking to "simplify and intensify" fundraising next year, focusing on what fundraising has worked this year.
- A chairperson for spirit wear is needed.
- The Monicals/ ZMS Fundraiser is scheduled for February 23. A portion of the day's sales will go to ZMS PTO. Fundraiser is valid for dine-in, take-out or delivery all day long. Flyer must accompany orders for donation to be applied. Flyers available at ZMS and will also be emailed.
- Committee looking into doing a similar fundraiser possibly at Amore and Traders Point Creamery in May.
- Committee is continuing to participate in the Coke Rewards Program. There are many items that can be awarded with points such as Nike gift Cards, magazine subscriptions, and jump drives.
- Committee has decided not to participate in the collection of used ink cartridges and old cell phones.

Newsletter – Dee Dee Medaris

- Deadline for March newsletter is Feb. 20.

Spirit Wear-Frances Pokrifcak

- Committee plans to attend boys wrestling, girls' basketball and Spring Fling.
- Committee looking at boys and girls spring line items, most likely Under Armour.

Student Appreciation - Jill Lange

- Committee is working on the suckers for Valentine's Day. All students will receive a sucker from PTO.

Staff Appreciation-Frances Pokrifcak reporting for Angela Carr

- The cookie walk was a success.
- End of the Year Appreciation Breakfast will be held June 5 at 9am.

Book Fair-Rose-Ann Mazanek

- Book Fair will be held during the week of Spring Fling, April 27-May 1.

Wellness - Erin Wilson

- The mileage program will begin again in the spring. Weather will determine whether the program begins before or after Spring Break.
- Work on the Health Fair continues. The Health Fair will run in conjunction with Z'Run.

Box Tops- Carol Mead

- Bonus points were submitted. Does not look like ZMS will win the Pump-It-Up party.
- Committee has already received a check for $600.
- Next submission deadline is February 15.
- The Tyson's Project A+ label program has been added. Each label can earn 24 cents. One hundred labels have to be collected before submission.
- Mr. Skura's class has won the recycled chair for February and it looks like Mrs. Rockwell's class will most likely win the chair for March.

5/6 Fun Night-Frances Pokrifcak for Chantelle Dodson

- The 5/6 Fun Night will be held on Friday, February 20 from 3:00-5:00pm. Activities include a bounce house, obstacle course and a DJ.

- There is no charge for admission, but committee is asking for a donation of a stuffed animal.
- Concessions will be sold.
- Marvel matched the price of the former inflatable company and also let the committee choose which inflatables they wanted. Marvel is also donating a 40 foot obstacle course to Z'Run.
- Guitar Hero will be located in a different room.
- Mr. Elkins and Mr. Skura will be on hand to play basketball with the students.
- This event is a PTO sponsored service fun night.

7/8 Upper-class Night- Candance Reid

- The 7th/8th Grade Fun Night is scheduled for Friday, March 20 from 6:00-8:00pm.
- There will be no monetary charge, only a can good for admittance.
- Activities include games, inflatables, a DJ, and Guitar Hero/Rock Band.
- Concessions will be sold.
- Committee is in need of donations for raffle prizes.

Reality Store- Mary Ortel

- Will be held May 8.

Z'Run – Angela Baker

- Planning is going well.
- Committee is working on sponsorship.
- New logo shown. Copy sent around.
- Flyer has been developed. Copy sent around.
- Clarion and St. Vincent providing support.
- Committee looking into the possibility of having a traveling trophy for the schools with winning participation.
- Committee is working with the Running Company and St. Vincent Sports Performance to provide training to ZMS students after school.
- Cost for Don Carr had been paid through sponsorship.
- Committee would like to set a goal to raise $7,000, double that of last year.
- The course has been changed to include Mulberry Park and will end at the ZMS track.
- Committee encouraging participants to pre-register.

8th Grade Party

- Party is scheduled for Wednesday, June 3 from 6:00-8:00pm.

8th Grade Field Day

- Nothing to report.

New Business

PTO Board Search- Frances Pokrifcak

- A few more slots remain open.
- The Staff Appreciation committee has been broken down into events.
- Final approval for the 2009-10 PTO Board will occur at the April PTO meeting.

ZEF Luncheon- Frances Pokrifcak

- ZEF Luncheon will be held on February 26 from 11am-2pm at Boone Meadow School.
- Tickets are still available for $50 each.

Announcements

The next ZMS PTO meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2009 at 9:15am at ZMS in room 516.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35am.

Respectfully submitted,
Jill Sibila
Secretary