

Bear Creek School  
PTO Minutes for March 2012

The PTO officers for the 2011-2012 school year are as follows:

Tiffany Brandt-Thomas and Erin Hiles, Co-Presidents; Shannon Kreider and Tara McCorkle, Co-Vice Presidents; Eileen Wood, Secretary; and Melissa Reiman and Sue Smith, Co-Treasurers

**Meeting Minutes for the March 1, 2012 meeting**

**I. Attendance:** Tiffany Brandt-Thomas, Jason Kingsborough, Tara McCorkle, Liesa Perry, Melissa Reiman, Sue Smith, Annette Spagnolo, Kathy Vogelsong, Eileen Wood, Tom Wood

**II. Officers' Reports:**

**Co-Presidents:** Tiffany Brandt-Thomas welcomed all and thanked the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade parents who attended.

**Co-Vice Presidents:** No report

**Treasurers:** Melissa Reiman reported that our current balance is \$23,893.89.

**Secretary:** Minutes submitted for review. The minutes were approved with the correction Kathy "Vogelsong" replacing Kathy Fogle in the Restaurant and "Kristin" replacing Chris DeStefano in the Teacher Appreciation sections

**III. Principal's Comments:** Dr. Spagnolo mentioned that the District PTO is sponsoring Chris Ivey, a comedian/Juggler, on May 1, 2012. The program will be held from 6:30-7:30 PM at the High School. Each school is to pay their portion based on the number of students in their school.

She reported that 174 students still need to update their immunizations with the school Nurse. Anyone still needing to have them done can contact Hope Within which is a non-profit organization.

Dr. Spagnolo thanked all of the parents who came to visit the school during American Education Week.

**IV. Teacher's Comments:** Mrs. O'Haren from the Eclipse Team (6<sup>th</sup> grade) said it was great to see the parents come to the school. It is nice to see the support from home.

**Miss Shenk:** is collaborating with some 6<sup>th</sup> grade students to run a program called "Let's Line the Walls for a Great Cause" which will be conducted from March 26<sup>th</sup>-March 30<sup>th</sup>. Items to be donated include peanut butter, jelly, crackers, instant potatoes and pancake mixes. The goal is to receive enough donations in order to have Jonathan Burns, a comedian, present a program. More information will be sent out concerning this program.

**Field Days:** will be held on May 14<sup>th</sup>-May 18<sup>th</sup>. The rain dates are May 21<sup>st</sup>-May 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Teachers:** may submit their expenses as they buy things. They do not need to wait for the end of the year to submit them.

**V. Committee Reports:**

**Fund Raising**

**Restaurant:** Kathy Vogelsong reported that Bear Creek night at Little Italy in Bainbridge will be held on Monday, March 5, 2012 from 4:00-8:00 PM.

**Box Tops, Campbell's Labels, and Moo Money:** We have received approximately \$700.60 in Box Tops at this point.

**Other Fund Raising:** The PTO is looking for Chairpersons and volunteers for the Fundraising Committee for the Fall 2012. We are also needing some ideas for fundraising programs.

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**Assembly Committee:** Jonathan Burns, a comedian, is scheduled to come in April to present a program. We are waiting on date confirmation for "Heads Up". They are a Lancaster based group that presents a message through music and dance.

**Book Fair:** Liesa Perry reported that the Spring Book Fair will be from May 18th-25<sup>th</sup>. The theme is a Luau. She is looking for decorations. She will be using a Junior Crew again this Book Fair. The Book Fair is a "Buy One Get One Free" for individuals buying books and merchandise. The PTO will pay up to \$7.00 per student for a book, however, books purchased by the PTO are not included in "Buy One Get One Free" program. The kickoff day for the Book Fair will be run in conjunction with a Rita's treat.

Mrs. Ditzler has ordered \$1,500.00 worth of library bound books from our Scholastic credit from the Fall Book Fair.

**Parents in Education (P.I.E.):** Eileen Wood reported that the committee is working diligently.

**Team Parents:** no report.

**Community Service:**

**Family Activities:** Miss Shenk has organized roller skating nights at Doc's next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings. The cost per student is \$2.00 for their skate rental. The PTO is paying between \$125.00 - \$150.00 for each night. Tiffany will put a reminder about the skating nights on PTO Manager.

**PTO:** is in need of at least 50 volunteers in order to have a night of fun and games at the school.. Possible dates for this activity are April 13, 2012 or April 27, 2012. We are looking to have possible activities such as a dance , competitive WII games, and BINGO and board games. The committee will be meeting on Monday, March 5, 2012 at 6:30 PM at Folklore in Elizabethtown.

**Yearbook:** Sue Smith provided a clarification about the deposit. If we receive \$5,000.00 in yearbook sales we would make the deposit back. There will not be a Box Top for yearbook program this year. Sherri Block is chairing this Committee. We need an update.

**Teacher Appreciation:** They are planning for appreciation events for the spring.

**Nominating:** To date there is one person from Mill Road who is interested in running for Co-Vice President. There is another Mill Road parent who expressed interest in an office for next year. Some other people have expressed interest in sharing an office. We will have the other elementary schools make an announcement at their next PTO meeting. We will also have the vacancies announced at the District PTO meeting on May 1<sup>st</sup>.

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**VI. Continuing Business:**

**VII. New Business:**

**VIII. Adjournment:**

**Next PTO Meeting is April 11, 2012** at 6:30 p.m. at Bear Creek School in the IMC.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eileen D. Wood, secretary