

## **CHIPPEWA PTO MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, November 9, 2011

6:15 p.m.

Cafeteria

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Denise Fernandez, Lori Prim, Barb Grooms, LaKeisha King, Kevin Atwood, Lupe Brueck, Jean Bonk, Tabitha Lveken, Rochelle Carman

The meeting was called to order at 6:20 p.m. The meeting minutes were approved.

**HANDOUTS:** Meeting agenda

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:** Denise Fernandez:

- E-plan already approved at 1 level. Local school approves first and then ROE. All schools have to file a plan first year. Second year, must file an e-plan.
- Getting ready for ISATS in March, getting accommodations from Special Ed.
- Title 1 Compact letter going out at student led conferences. Socio-economic at 40%. We are a targeted school with funds targeted to low income kids only. Hired two reading specialists to help raise AYP.
- Student-led conferences this year. Format is one hour blocks which start on the hour. First 15 minutes for conference, then next 45 minutes to go to other teachers.
- Have been using an adjusted schedule to have students use 30 minute wording with their groups every week. Goes over things students need to do.
- Olweus - District mandated bullying prevention program and beginning after Christmas break. Have trained 13-14 teachers in the program, and lessons will be taught on Mondays for 20-25 minutes. Survey from last year shows what needs to improve. Algonquin already using the program, started in September.
- Kids loved the Chaotic Drum Line sponsored by the Cultural Arts.

**TEACHER REPRESENTATION: 7th Grade Hope (Helping Other People Everyday)**

- Student led projects with Cumberland students. Working with reading buddies two different times during the year. First time is Dec. 16th, with half of the kids at Cumberland and the others here at Chippewa. Reading stories about helping others.
- New Science Curriculum now. Grades are updated weekly.
- Writing is following the District Committee for Common Core.
- 7th grade teachers say thank you for everything. Asked for suggestions for possible baskets for bowling bash, March 18th.
- Asked about possibility of Outdoor Education trip. Will look into information given to them by Kevin Atwood.

**PRESIDENTS' REPORT:** Lori Prim/Barb Grooms:

- Currently, 50 staff members are registered PTO members.

**VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Becky Fowler/LaKeisha King:

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Lupe Brueck:

- October Balance: \$5,200.56

**TAFFY APPLES:** Barb Grooms:

- Profit of \$1238.65

**BOOK FAIR:** Barb Grooms:

- Book Fair will take place Nov. 16th - 22nd in the Tile Room. L.A. teachers can sign up to visit the Book Fair.

**BAKE SALE:**

- Bake Sale will take place Nov. 21st and 22nd. Donations will be accepted instead of prices.
- Volunteers are needed. Students can volunteer to earn service hours.

**SPIRIT WEAR:** Jamee Atwood:

- Orders have been picked up with other orders still coming in. Product delivery will be before winter break.

**BOWLING BASH:** Barb Grooms:

- Bowling Bash date is set for March 18, 2012. Times TBA.
- Next meeting will be Wednesday, Dec. 7th at 6:30 at Barb Groom's house.

**RESTAURANT OF THE MONTH:**

- Dec. 1st at Buona Beef
- Jan. 12th at Guissepi
- Feb 2 or 9th at McDonalds (teachers will be working there that night)
- April 12 at House of Szechwan
- Teacher orders possible? There are 3 different lunch periods.

**ORNAMENT DECORATING:**

- Decorating the Chippewa tree in Metropolitan Square will take place Dec. 2 at 4:00.
- Ornament making will take place in November. All students are welcome to make an ornament.
- Theme is Holiday Songs.

**BEAUTIFICATION:**

- Outside pots possible to signify entrance to school

**CULTURAL ARTS:** Barb Grooms:

- Possible Dedication for Curtain on Dec. 14 at music concert.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, January 11, 2012 at 5:45 p.m in the cafeteria. All are welcome. Help get more parents involved. Bring another parent with you to the meeting!