

PCPA General Meeting  
February, 24, 2010

Present: Lorelee Schaedel, Janelle Deschino, Jane Bozek, Christine Mackenzie, Kim Shur, Biz Brewer, Ashley Werner-Collins, Megan McConagha, Josephine Yim, Ang Foley, Linda Burke, Erin Salvador, Jillian Lengyel, Karen Hare, Kim Gillies, Eileen Hetrick, Amy Stanley.

Lorelee Schaedel called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m..

## 1. Upcoming Events

- **Pure Art Cards** - Student artwork has been sent home. This year, Mary Jane Johnston had students create special artwork in class for the Pure Arts Cards fundraiser. Orders are already coming in and there is a lot of positive feedback from parents.
- **Bingo** - Judi Logue is heading up the popular fundraiser set for March 26<sup>th</sup>. The Bingo raffle is being finalized. Some of the prizes, such as Principle for a Day and Ride to School on a Fire truck, will be drawn during the week leading up to Bingo night to create more interest. Raffle forms will be going home with students next week.
- **Arts Day** - Heather Mullen and Kathleen Curry Sparks are co chairs of this event set for April 14<sup>th</sup>. So far, 14 artists have been booked. More artists are still needed as well as volunteers during the morning of the event. The main act this year is Circus Shmurkus.
- **F.I.T. (Friends in Training)** - Courtney Thorack is in charge of the FIT program which trains Pond Cove students before the Pond Cove 5K in June. Volunteers are needed for this program.
- **Teacher Appreciation Week** - Teachers will be celebrated the week of May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Plans are being made to paint the two teacher lunchrooms. Extra furniture donations are also being accepted for the teacher lunchrooms. A final “menu tasting” meeting will be held on Friday 2/26 at Hugh Campbell’s house.
- **4<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration** - Katie Gillespie is heading up this event. Letters have been sent home to parents requesting pictures for the memory book & bulletin board. Further details to follow.
- **Haunted Harvest** - Janelle Deschino is the Pond Cove contact this year for Haunted Harvest. The MSPA & HSPA will also be taken part in the event.
- **Pond Cove 5K** - This is the final year for the two major sponsors of the Pond Cove 5K. Any money raised at the 5K, the final event of the year, will be carried over to next year into the 2010-11 budget.
- **Smart Bags** - The three parent associations would like to have a spring Smart Bag sale. Discussions are under way for possibly pre buying bags and selling rather than taking orders. More to follow on this fund raiser.

## **2. Principle's Update - Shari Robinson**

- Shari Robinson represented Tom Eismeier at today's meeting. There is some good news regarding the school budget. The state came up with more money than anticipated. In the next several weeks, budget proposals will go out to the public. Cape Elizabeth has operated on a "bare bones" budget for several years. More cuts are possible throughout the district.
- Dr. Seuss Day is planned for March 13<sup>th</sup>. Teachers will perform the play Daisy Maisy in the morning for students.
- Students at Pond Cove raised \$2,162.56 for Haiti by collecting pennies. The money will be sent to the Red Cross.
- Thank you's have been sent from the Wellness Committee. The healthy snacks provided by parents for the teachers on early release days are much appreciated.
- Beach Day was a HUGE success with both students and staff alike.

## **3. Budget - Karen Hare**

- The PCPA has \$2,353 left in the Mini Grant budget \$3,383 in the Technology budget.
- Craft night had a \$724 net profit for the night, more than expected.
- A check for Hannaford Dollars has not been received yet. Last year, \$1,300 was received. Due to changes to the program, we may only net \$300.

## **4. Mini Grants - Jillian Lengyel & Ashley Werner-Collins**

1. Linda Paul has requested a \$500 mini grant for "Mr. and Mrs. Fish" (Deb and Jeff Sandler) to come in to Pond Cove. The Kindergarten does not have an Allied Arts Program.

When asked to vote on the mini grant request for \$500.00, all approved.

2. Debra Sampson (Grade 1) has requested a \$509.82 mini grant for a projector mount and cables for her classroom smart board which was funded by CEEF.

When asked to vote on the mini grant request for \$509.82, all approved.

3. Karen Abbott (Grade 1) has requested a \$66.90 mini grant to purchase "Brain Gym" DVD's and music CD's. The DVD's & CD's help to stimulate the brain and helps students focus. The materials can not be copied, but will be shared with other teachers. This would be a pilot program for the school.

When asked to vote on the mini grant request for \$66.90, all approved this amount plus shipping & handling.

4. The 4<sup>th</sup> grade team has requested a \$192.00 mini grant to cover additional expenses for visiting artist Mimi Carpenter. These expenses are not covered by the \$1500.00 already provided by the PCPA.

When asked to vote on the mini grant request for \$192.00, all approved.

5. Mary Jane Ham & Fran Vita-Taylor have requested a \$988.92 mini grant for ceiling mount projectors for their classrooms. Neither teacher has a smart board in their classroom. The projector will make the classrooms Ready for smart boards down the road.

When asked to vote on the mini grant request for \$988.92, all approved.

6. Tara Bucci & Eric Nielsen have requested a \$145.00 mini grant to each purchase a Bluetooth mouse for their classroom. The mouse would enable them to direct technology within the classroom.

When asked to vote on the mini grant request for \$145.00, the grant was approved 12 for & 4 against.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m..