

Granby Elementary Parent Teacher Organization
November 14th, 2006
Kelly Lane School - 6:30 pm

1. Janice Stingle, PTO President opened the meeting at 6:40 pm.
2. Minutes from last meeting approved. Copies distributed to all in attendance.
3. Treasurer's Report - Linda Holden: A copy of the budget as it stands now was provided to all. Year to Date we have met all our targets. The book fair was a great success. We are still working out the details of what we will fund for the Vicki Cobb visit. There was some confusion as to what had initially been approved for the PTO.
4. Teacher/Faculty Report -The 6th grade education walk through was successful. In addition - All schools held open houses on November 14 2006 for parents to come and observe in the classroom. This was the first time all three schools held this event the same day.
5. Committee Reports -
 - a. Pie and Cookie Dough Sales - Due to a mix up with the delivery - the pie and cookie dough delivery will now be on Monday November 20th from 2:30 to 6:30 pm.
 - b. School Pictures - Retakes were completed last week. Overall families were happy with the pictures and retakes were less than 1%.
 - c. Wrapping Paper Sales -Sales were successful this year. All pick up's took place on November 14th. Still waiting final sales total.
 - d. PTO Website - Deb will continue to keep this website updated for now. As soon as we find a replacement she will hand it off to the new contact. Linda Holden has a contact that has expressed interest in taking this over - she will look into it and let us know the status.
 - e. Bear Calls - New format was well received over all. Amy let us know that the information is in a data base this year should we need to pull any information.
 - f. Family Activities - We are still looking for volunteers to assist with activities for 2006 and 2007. A notice was sent to the schools two weeks ago - to date 4 parents have come forward. Upcoming events include Disney on Ice in January, Monster Truck Jam in February and Wolf Pack games on three different dates. We are also finalizing plans for a Winter Carnival on March 3rd.
 - g. Fundraising Committee - Linda Holden will be forming a fundraising committee to explore ideas about alternatives for future events.

6. Old Business -

- a. After School Language Program - Janice and Rose met with Dr. Van Dorp to discuss the program. Dr. Van Dorp is supportive of the program; however she recommends we advertise it as a "club" so that we do not need to get approval thru the Board of Ed. Estimated cost would be \$25.00 per hour/per student. The PTO will look for local residents that may be interested in teaching.
- b. Guest Speaker on Bullying - The PTO is still looking into this as a topic - however, it has been suggested that this is such a broad topic with legal ramifications that it may be better suited for a PTO sponsored evening with a full discussion and an attorney present rather than a quick topic at a meeting.
- c. Paul Cryan - The PTO has contacted Paul Cryan's office and we have a tentative date the week of March 26th for his staff to come in and take photos. There will be no sitting fee and parents will only pay for the pictures they wish to purchase. There is no obligation to buy. Prices for his photos range from \$25.00 to \$60.00. More information to follow as dates are finalized.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Our next meeting is scheduled for December 12th at 6:30 pm.

Respectively Submitted by Randa Gaalswijk, PTO Secretary, on November 16th
2006