# GREAT MEADOWS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT PTO MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 8, 2013

- **I.** Called to order at 7:03 pm. Kris Freda welcomed everyone; 4 officers in attendance, 10 Parents, 8 Teachers and Central School Principal Mr. Batha & Liberty School Principal Mrs. Kotcho; babysitting was provided.
- **II. December PTO Minutes & December Treasurer's Report** the group was asked to review the minutes and Treasurers' Report. Hilary Jakub motioned to accept the minutes, Jennifer Pandorf seconded, and all were in favor.

## III. Open Committee Positions – Please consider volunteering – You will have a committee of parents to help you Committee Chairs needed 2012-2013 School Year:

Book Fair – (Liberty)

Family Fun Nights – there are many volunteers just need a chair

Hospitality (Central)

Kindergarten Orientation

Staff Appreciation (Central)

Field day (Liberty) committee has been filled by Chuck Freda & Pete Prymak

#### **IV. New Business**

Reminder that the March meeting we will be voting on new Officers and confirming the list of Chairperson's for next year's events. Please pass the word around and thank you for your continued support!

## **Teacher Grant presentation and vote**

Kris asked the group to review the teacher grants that are available for review.

- 1. Mrs. Roth/Central Six refurbished LCD 17 inch monitors for computer lab completion. \$450.00
- 2. Mrs. Zeliff/Liberty Bulletin bars for the fifth grade wing so that students work can be neatly displayed throughout the hallway. \$150 \$200.00
- 3. Mrs.Wohlgemuth/Liberty Seat Sacks for the whole 4th grade to place on the backs of the student's seats for better organization of school supplies. \$905.76
- 4. Ms. Kries/Liberty Mobile Reading & Writing Center with Easel and Tubs as she is a traveling BSI Instructor and travels from classroom to classroom it will allow her to bring more supplies and also has a white board which will also help with instructing the students. \$288.99 + Shipping.
- 5. Mrs. Arnold/Liberty Books for partner reading to be used by the fifth grade. \$250.43
- 6. Mrs. Crane/Liberty Intermediate Dictionary set for the 5th Grade, the current set is outdated (1988) and not in the best condition and there are not enough for each student. \$250-\$275
- 7. Mrs. Mandery/Central Copernicus Royal Reading/Writing Center. This versatile teaching tool will be used to enhance both reader/writer workshop and literacy centers. \$ 266.94 + shipping
- 8. Mrs. Revak/Central Casio Green Slim Projector for use in the K-2 & middle school: To hook up to the computer and project material/music songs from various websites including updated 2nd grade music curriculum. \$850-\$900

Present teachers gave more detail about each of their grant requests.

Mr. Batha voiced his support of the Casio Green Slim Projector explaining that technology is expanding in the district and it will enhance a special subject program.

Kris passed out the ballots for the vote.

Ballots were counted by Carrie Gajda. Carrie announced that all of the Teachers grants that were requested at this meeting were approved by a majority of the vote.

#### V. Events started/completed since last meeting-Committee chair reports

Halloween Costume Fundraiser – \$48.92 was raised this year; much less than last year

Harvest Day/Fall Festival – Completed - still open payables to chair; Nickole needs paperwork from Chair December Market Day - Completed

Spirit Wear – Completed

Assembly (Fitness Frenzy) – Completed – Mr. Batha said it was a lot of fun

Assembly (Anti-Bullying Laser show) – 1/8/13 Liberty @ 9:15 AM / Central @ 1:15 PM; kids enjoyed it and knew a lot of the music

Holiday Shop (Central) – open payables

Holiday Shop (Liberty) – open payables

## VI. Current/Upcoming Events (Kris or Chairs)

Box Tops – Contest runs to 2/15/13 for a pizza party winner announced beginning of March; Liberty prefer box tops in plastic bags instead of on sheet; Central still put box tops on the proper sheets

Families in Need Committee - Fill the Bus (winter coats) – more of a planning year since this is the first year – approved budget of \$2000 for this committee

Labels for Education - Contest runs to 1/25/13 for a soup party per grade level winner announced end of February; Central & Liberty prefer Labels in plastic bags instead of on sheet

Market Day – Order by date 01/22/13 / Pick Up date 01/28/13

Slumber Party – March  $6^{th}$  @ Central School for both Liberty and Central Students, 6-8pm; same week as book fair; this will be in the gym – Mr. Batha will notify rec that the gym cannot be used for basketball that week.

#### VII. Open Discussion

Spring fundraiser – Mixed bag designs – Lori Prymak; ordering catalogs for both schools. Incentive 50% off wholesale; required to order 5 samples; get a post pack to advertise fundraiser; choose 25 promotion bags for free; Very successful fundraiser last year!!

### Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM

Our next meeting is February 13, 2013 @ 7:00 p.m. at the GMMS Café with free babysitting.