

# Great Meadows Middle School PATHS

## Meeting Minutes

May 23, 2012

### I. Welcome/Call to Order

- A. The meeting of GMMS PATHS was called to order by Dot Reilly at 7:37 pm on Wednesday, May 23, 2012.
- B. The following officers were present:
  - i. Dot Reilly, President
  - ii. Karen Cramer, Treasurer
  - iii. Kate Tibak, Secretary
- C. Faculty member, Mr. Marmolejos, was also in attendance.

### II. Financial Update

Karen Cramer and Dot Reilly will be meeting one more time to go over the financial information as Karen will no longer have children attending GMMS. Thank you Karen for all of your dedication to PATHS and GMMS over the years!

### III. Upcoming Events

- A. PATHS Officers:
  - i. More officers are needed for the upcoming school year. Dot would like to see parents who have children in 6th grade so that they can stay in their positions beyond the 2012-2013 school year.
  - ii. Looking towards September, PATHS will be seeking both a Vice President and Treasurer.
- B. Get Together (5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades):
  - i. The last Get Together of the year took place with 198 students in attendance.
  - ii. It was reported that the students were well behaved and enjoyed the event.
- C. Teacher Appreciation:
  - i. We had a great response for Teacher's Appreciation! Many items were sent in throughout the week.
  - ii. The teachers were very thankful and complimentary to all of the hard work that went into the week-long celebration.
- D. NJ ASK:
  - i. Water bottles, pretzels, and fruit were provided for all of the students for each day of testing.
  - ii. In total, 1,264 bottles of water and bags of pretzels were given to the students.
  - iii. The majority of the water and pretzels were donated by parents.
  - iv. Pretzels were either pre-bagged or bagged from bulk.
  - v. Grapes (51 lbs.), bananas (316 pieces) and a few oranges were distributed. Most of the fruit was bought using money sent in from parents and PATHS covering the balance.
- E. Field Day: Mr. Marmolejos said that they had received a lot of responses to provide needed items and volunteers for this event.
- F. 2012-2013 Calendar:

Mr. Marmolejos gave us some tentative dates for 2012-2013 PATHS events:

  - i. Back to School: Thursday, September 20<sup>th</sup>
  - ii. Game Night: Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup>
  - iii. Veterans' Day: Breakfast, Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>
  - iv. Lip Sync and Talent Show: Friday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> (increase admission to \$4 (pre) and \$5 (door))
  - v. NJ ASK: 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade-April 29<sup>th</sup> through May 3<sup>rd</sup>  
6<sup>th</sup>-May 6<sup>th</sup> through May 9<sup>th</sup>
  - vi. Volleyball Game: Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> (tentative end to NJ ASK testing weeks) (8<sup>th</sup> grade fundraiser)
  - vii. Teacher Appreciation: Will need to push this back a week because of NJ ASK. May 13<sup>th</sup> through May 17<sup>th</sup>.
  - viii. Meetings: September 19<sup>th</sup>, November 14<sup>th</sup>, January 16<sup>th</sup>, March 20<sup>th</sup>, May 22<sup>nd</sup>
  - ix. Get Togethers: Fridays, September 28<sup>th</sup>, November 30<sup>th</sup>, January 25<sup>th</sup>, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, April 26<sup>th</sup> (5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)
  - x. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Farewell Dance: Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup>
  - xi. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade trip to Washington, DC: Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup> to Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>
  - xii. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Picnic: (last full day of school)
- G. PATHS Scholarships: The two annual scholarships were awarded to local high school seniors who attended GMMS. The winning essays were chosen by GMMS teachers.

### IV. Meeting was adjourned by Dot Reilly.

**Have a great summer! See you in September!**

Minutes submitted by Kate Tibak

cc: Mr. Marmolejos  
Dot Reilly  
Karen Cramer  
Teachers' Lounge