

**Notes of the Mantua PTA
November 2, 2005
Mantua Elementary School**

The president called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Present at the meeting were:

Executive Board: *Mary Jo Kavjian, Donna Yudkin, Cherie Curry, Carol Thomas and Cheryl May.*

School Representatives: *Jan-Marie Fernandez, Cheryl Thompson and Janet Sottolano.*

Board Members: *Loren Brandman, Beth Whitehead, Carole Thomas, Lynn Richmond, Allen Clark, Laura Mead*

General Membership:

Allen Clark made a **motion** that the minutes of the October 5, 2005 meeting be approved. Carole Thomas seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Cheryl May distributed the PTA Income Statement for the four months ending October 30, 2005. The updated income statement showed net income of \$18,000.

Mrs. Fernandez made the **Principal's Report:**

- Mantua E.S. was featured on the front page of Fairfax Connection because of the Flex programs.
- Evacuation and lockdown on Friday Oct. 28, 2005 went as expected.
- The BBC visited on October 3rd to learn more about Mantua's fitness and nutrition programs.
- The Library of Congress is offering a website for training teachers – 40 hours of training will net Mantua a school projector.
- The Kids Care Club and the Total Communication Program are continuing to raise money for the Louisiana School for the Deaf (victims that have been displaced due to Hurricane Katrina).

Ms. Thompson made the following **Announcements:**

- Thanked the PTA for the sponsorship of the Ryan McLaughlin Golf Tournament. The golf tournament and Light the Night effort raised over \$15k, and the Young Hearts raised over \$43K. A video was then shown highlighted their efforts.
- Mantua E.S. needs more substitute teachers.

Ms. Sottolano made the following **Announcement:**

- She and the teachers are working on their Mantua PTA On-Line Auction donations.

The following **Committee Reports** were filed:

Hospitality – The After School Program for the Deaf is starting Jan. 18th for 10 weeks. The committee is working on providing desserts.

Sally Foster - Lynn Richmond stated the school had already received 2 dvd/vhs players for our fundraising efforts. The school has raised over \$16,000 so far. Deliveries were handed out during the parent/teacher conferences.

Drama Club - Beth Whitehead stated that drama is on track with Nov. 11 & 12 as technical rehearsals, Nov. 15 & 16th for dress rehearsals and Nov. 18th & 19th for performances.

Basketball – Laura Mead (for Rob Mead) stated that 285 children registered, they have formed 38 teams, including an additional 3rd/4th grade girls team. Practice is scheduled to start after Thanksgiving break.

Membership – Carole Thomas stated that the PTA is at 60% membership.

Directory – Carole Thomas stated that the student directory was delivered.

Auction – Carole Thomas said that the on-line auction was ready to go live, the auction is still receiving donations and that it has raised \$9,000 in sponsorship funds already.

PTA Newsletter – Martha Parson stated the newsletter deadline was Monday Nov. 7th.

Old Business

Bike Rider Forms – still researching.

New Business

Laura Mead motioned to approve the purchase of one Coroplast style sign for PTA meeting announcements. The motion was seconded by Carole Thomas, the motion carried.

Motions Carried

A motion carried to approve the minutes of October 1, 2005.

A motion carried to purchase a coroplast sign for PTA use.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.