

PTA Board Meeting Notes

March 2, 2011

Mantua Elementary School

The president called the meeting to order at 7:09 PM. Present at the meeting were:

Executive Board: Nicole Armstrong, Lori Recher, Sandy Spector

School Representatives: Jan Marie Fernandez, Cheryl Thompson, Tina Tingler, Janet Sottolano

General Membership: Christine Choi, Shannon Murphy, Monica Cameron

The minutes from the February meeting were reviewed and approved.

President's Report: Nicole didn't have anything to report.

Treasurer's Report: Sandy reported that \$11,000 has been currently made on the Auction. Approximately \$3000 is still being processed through PayPal.

Principals' Report: Jan Marie reported that February was a very busy month. The Band concert, Strings concert, and Colonial Day all went well. The parent presentation on Brain & Learning was well received. Administration Appreciation Week was also well received (Tina and Cheryl added their thanks too). On March 4th there will be a Hispanic Parent Gathering, put on by several of the parents. March 15th is the Woodson Pyramid Art Show. The 14th there is a preschool-parent meeting for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program. The 22nd is a town hall meeting for Fairhill Elementary parents that live in Pine Ridge. The children living there can come to Mantua through an Administration Boundary change. It is likely that this group will be coming to Mantua next year. This effects approximately 18 children. Chesterfield Mews is slated to come in the following year. The meeting is here at Mantua at 7:00, in the library. The Assistant Superintendent for clusters 2 & 3, and the principal from Fairhill will be attending. March 24th is Spring Picture Day. The 26th is the Super Hero Carnival. April 4th is a teacher work day. This Wednesday & Thursday there will be 5th grade writing tests. Janet added her thanks for the tennis balls for the classroom chairs.

Report of First Co-Vice-Presidents for Community Outreach: A Parent Education class on Brain Research was held on February 22nd. Approximately 30 parents attended. The Fall Flex program is wrapping up this week. Next week starts the Spring program - Investigation station, Dramarama, and Sign 1. We will hopefully be starting a Spanish class as well. Only 2 children have signed up so far. Art reflections has wrapped up. All art

has been returned and certificates of participation and ribbons for those who placed have been distributed. Friday in the lower pod is the event for Spanish speaking families. This event is being coordinated by Carmen Mogrovejo and Gabriella Numbela Drpic.

Report of Second Vice-President for Membership and Fundraising: Carnival is on track. The Carnival committee chairs are very well organized this year. Christy reported that Box Tops brought in over 500. The winning class will be announced shortly

Report of the Volunteer Coordinator: No report

New Business: Nominations were held for the Nominating Committee. Motion passed, and the nominating committee is: Lori Prendergast, Monica Cameron, and Shannon Murphy.

Meeting adjourned at 7:31.