

**Notes of the Mantua PTA
November 1, 2006
Mantua Elementary School**

The president called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present at the meeting were:

Executive Board: *Mary Jo Kavjian, Terry Murphy, Maggie Weddell, Anne Foster and Cherie Curry*

School Representatives: *Cheryl Thompson, Tina Tingler and Janet Sottolano.*

Board Members: *Claire Fritzinger, Faye Henris, Jeriann Stone Mikesh, Loan Pham*

General Membership: *Jacqueline DeScisciolo, Shavouna Po Farmerie, Hilary Strasser, Lauren Terry*

Minutes were distributed for October 2006. Maggie Weddell made a motion to adopt the minutes from the October 2006 PTA meeting. Faye Henris seconded. The motion carried.

Terry Murphy distributed the PTA Income Statement for July to October 2006. He asked that minutes be posted in a timely fashion.

Mrs. Jan-Marie Fernandez made the **Principal's Report:**

- She thanked everyone for making the ice cream social and back-to-school nights a success.
- The Staff has completed their Wellness Challenge.
- The Fall Spirit Parade was indoors this year and although loud; it was great fun!
- The School will be participating in Red Ribbon week, "Say No to Drugs and Alcohol."
- November 22nd is Early Release, students leave at 1:30pm.

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

- Cogats are finished/ Naglieri comin up
- The Book Fair is scheduled for Nov. 13 - 17
- Nov. 17th is the 6th Grade Field Trip to American Museum of Natural History

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

- Offered information on Galludet University

Mrs. Sottolano made the **Teacher's Report:**

- Good Morning Mantua has created a commercial for the Food Drive, they have created a challenge to donate 3,500 lbs. of food. The Food Drive runs Nov. 3rd – Nov. 21st.

The following committee announcement was made:

Membership

- Anne Foster announced that the PTA had 43% membership with 310 families participating.

Sally Foster

- Lynn Richmond sent her report in writing. The drive is doing well should raise over \$14,000.
- Special prize winners will be announced in Alert News.
- Deliveries will be made by Nov. 2nd.
- Report discrepancies by November 17th.

Book Fair

- The Book Fair planning is close to complete; they need a few more volunteers. They are waiting for books to be delivered. See Ms. Thompson's announcement for dates.

Drama Club

- Mrs. Sottolano's class is working on props and backdrops.
- There are extra t-shirts available for \$10.
- Performances are Dec. 8th & 9th at 7pm. (Saturday night's performance also includes the cast party.)

Community Spirit

- MaryJo is planning on scheduling a Fundraiser at Glory Days in December. The School can also participate in Hockey and other sports oriented community spirit events.

Fundraising – Student Art Work

- Faye Henris volunteered to explore the various options available to the school for a fundraiser based on student's art work. She will make recommendations to the Executive Board and to the teachers. It was suggested that 25% of the proceeds up to \$2,000 will go toward the purchase of a Smart Board for the Art Program.

MaryJo Kavjian asked that refreshments for the next meeting reflect favorite holiday traditions.

Motions Carried

Adoption of Minutes for October 2006 PTA meeting.
The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Cherie Curry and Elizabeth Wasserman
Co-Secretaries