

**I. Call Meeting to Order and Welcome****II. Pledge of Allegiance****III. Reading of Minutes**

- a. Approved Minutes from November Meeting

**IV. Report of Officers****a. President's Report**

- i. Survey was taken from vendors at Marketplace at Holiday Shoppe. Out of eighteen vendors, thirteen filled out the survey. Twelve indicated that they would return next year. Surveys provided additional feedback for next year.
- ii. Restaurant Nights
  1. Buona Beef – February 15, 2011
  2. Rosati's – March 15, 2011
  3. Sweet Tomatoes – April 28, 2011
  4. On the Border – Check VBP for date in May, 2011

**b. Treasurer's Report**

- i. Treasurer position duties being split by Jamie Miller and Stephany Hunt. Jamie handles expenses and taxes, and Stephany handles deposits and income.
- ii. Deposit form available for committee chairs on PTA website. Please complete the form and turn in with all committee deposits.

**c. Principal's Report included in Guest Speaker Presentation**

- i. Purchased eighteen more ELMOs for the school to help every classroom become visually accessible to all students. All teachers who wanted a unit have received one. One additional unit remains in the library for check-out purposes. Units purchased using school funds and grant money from a parent.
- ii. Principal Reiner distributed an updated school improvement plan and explanation. Will be available in VBP for all parents. Please contact her with any questions.

**V. Report of Committees****a. Fifth Grade Bash**

- i. Fifth Grade Bash will be held on May 21, 7:30-midnight. Students will participate in swimming, rock climbing and bombardment.
- ii. Need a committee chairperson for next year.

**b. Basket Raffle**

- i. Check VBP for basket donation lists.
- ii. Volunteers needed for basket wrapping party.
- iii. Need a committee chairperson for next year.

**c. Beautification**

- i. It has been four years since new mulch was distributed. Need new mulch for spring.

**d. Cambell's, BoxTops & Tyson**

- i. PTA received a check for \$951.46 from Boxtops.
- ii. Nestle stopped the Nestle label program.
- iii. Check your receipts and the Sunday paper inserts for special Boxtop opportunities. Please send Jeanne Bowen the information when you see it.
- iv. Please send boxtops and labels in a bag with the child's name and teacher's name written on the bag.
- v. Need a committee chairperson for next year.

**e. Directory**

- i. Need a committee chairperson for next year.

- f. **Field Day**
  - i. Committee is looking for parents who want to play a rock concert for the students on Field Day. Please contact Rebecca Cain if you play an instrument and want to join the band.
- g. **Fun Fair**
  - i. Fun Fair will be held on Saturday, March 5, 2011.
  - ii. Ticket pricing will remain the same as last year with a discount offered for pre-sale tickets. Game tickets will be on a punch card this year.
  - iii. Meal packs and wrist bands will be available to purchase in advance as well.
  - iv. Need a committee chairperson for next year.
- h. **Fundraising**
  - i. None at this time.
- i. **Green Team**
  - i. Need a committee chairperson for next year.
- j. **Health and Safety**
  - i. None at this time.
- k. **HEY Classes**
  - i. Mr. Baughman will run the next session of HEY classes for his Master's project. Angie will provide assistance.
  - ii. Need volunteers to help take attendance and with class dismissal. Need two volunteers on Mondays and two volunteers on Wednesdays.
  - iii. If parents marked parent pick-up, volunteers will assume that children will be picked up by car. Please indicate if your child will be a walker.
- l. **Holiday Shoppe**
  - i. None at this time.
- m. **Hospitality**
  - i. None at this time.
- n. **Husky Hustle**
  - i. Husky Hustle will be held on Saturday, April 30, 2011.
  - ii. CARA certification is pending. Hope to be CARA certified after the race in April is completed.
  - iii. Online registration at active.com is available this year.
- o. **Market Day**
  - i. Market Day orders have raised \$2000 for this school year so far.
  - ii. If \$3000 in orders is placed in January, Homestead receives a \$250 Borders gift card.
  - iii. Orders can be sent in with the paper order forms until Friday, January 21. Orders can be placed online until noon on Monday, January 24.
  - iv. Need a committee chairperson for next year.
- p. **Membership**
  - i. There are currently 285 members. Last year's total was 279.
- q. **Nominating Committee**
  - i. None at this time.
- r. **Spirit Wear**
  - i. None at this time.
- s. **Photography**
  - i. Please send Angie McCauley any pictures taken of winter school events such as winter parties, ginger bread house decorating parties, etc. as they will be posted online and possibly in the yearbook.
  - ii. Need a committee chairperson for next year.
- t. **Picture Presenter**

- i. There are many volunteer opportunities. Check the website for additional information.
    - ii. Need a committee chairperson for next year.
  - u. **Publishing Center**
    - i. Need a committee chairperson for this year and next year.
  - v. **Reflections**
    - i. Need a committee chairperson for next year.
  - w. **Room Reps**
    - i. Last party will be for Valentine's Day on Monday, February 14, 2011.
  - x. **Virtual Backpack**
    - i. None at this time.
  - y. **Website Webmaster**
    - i. None at this time. The PTA website is [www.homesteadpta.org](http://www.homesteadpta.org)
    - ii. Need a committee chairperson for next year.
- VI. **New Business**
  - a. **OPAC – Crystal Alperin**
    - i. Register for Communicate 308 to get current district information, newsletters, district events and emergency bulletins.
    - ii. Click on the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary logo on the oswego308.org website to obtain the latest 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary events and information.
    - iii. Board of Education Elections are April 5, 2011. Last day to register to vote is March 8, 2011. Ten candidates are running for three positions.
    - iv. On January 20, 2011, Oswego Ledger will print names of all students in attendance the first 50 days of school.
    - v. Oswego 308, Oswego Police and Kendall County States Attorney will host a presentation on Cyberbullying at OEHS on February 7, 2011 at 6:30.
    - vi. Full day Kindergarten will be offered in four centers 2011-2012 at Southbury, East View, Grande Park and Hunt Club. District hopes to provide full-day for 2/3 of all kindergartners, up to 880 students. Register by March 4, so the district can arrange staffing and transportation and provide answers to parents.
    - vi. Oswego 308 will be redistricting in 2012.
  - b. **Restaurant Nights**
    - i. Check VBP for printable flyers and information.
  - c. **PTA Convention**
    - i. Anyone considering running for a PTA board position should attend the convention on March 11-13, 2011. Check the VBP for convention details.
  - d. **Open Positions**
    - i. All PTA Executive Board positions are open for next school year.
    - ii. Several committees need chairpersons for next school year.
  - e. **Father-Daughter Dance**
    - i. A third-grader from Mrs. Egeland's classroom, Amy Keca, eloquently presented the PTA Executive Board and membership with a request for a Father-Daughter Dance.
    - ii. Amy Keca explained that she polled the girls in her class as well as other third grade girls, and that all polled were very excited about a possible Father-Daughter Dance.
    - iii. Miss Keca expressed her willingness to work on a committee to organize the dance.
- VII. **Voting on Bylaws Update**
  - a. Jennifer Bartos made a motion from the floor to approve the Bylaws. Rebecca Cain seconded the motion.
  - b. Motion to approve the Bylaws as updated is passed unanimously.

## **VIII. Announcements**

- a.** Refer to meeting agenda, Virtual Backpack and website for dates and times.
- b.** Procedure for bringing items for PTA Executive Board consideration is to contact any board member with ideas or proposals. Executive Board meets once a month to discuss items. All proposals and ideas are welcome.
- c.** Calendar clarification: Spring conferences for first through fifth graders will only be held on the evening of Tuesday, February 22 for two hours. Teachers will contact parents with additional information. On April 22, there will be no school that day for students and teachers. No conferences will be held on April 22, 2011.

## **IX. Adjournment**