

**Pinchbeck Elementary School  
PTA Board Meeting  
January 21, 2010**

**Present:**

Jennifer Barnett  
SuAnne Blair  
Jennifer Davis  
Felicia DiPaolo  
Jeannie Drummond  
Kirk Eggleston  
Maha ElSherif  
Jennifer Emory  
Liz Farber

Kelly Faglioni  
Paul Fincke  
Liesel Geiger  
Cara Genovesi  
Amy Gregory  
Jennifer Haueis  
Marie Hess  
Heidi Jadowski  
Robin Jager

Brooke Khan  
Kim Kugelman  
Jessica McLane  
Becky Myers  
Becky Sehlhorst  
Alicia Shelton  
Louise Stephens  
Kelly Whitley  
Petra Zerbst

**Opening:** The regular meeting of the Pinchbeck Elementary School PTA Board was held on January 21, 2010, in the Pinchbeck library. Liesel Geiger called the meeting to order at 5:45pm.

**Presentation by Fourth Grade Teachers:** Ms. Becker and Ms. Hirtz gave a presentation about Growing Connection. The fourth grade received a grant to participate in Growing Connection. The grant came from Henrico and Luckstone to purchase growing boxes. The project has been documented on the fourth grade website. They started the project in the fall. The fall planting did not yield any product but they learned several lessons. They would like to plant seedlings in March. Specifically they would like to grow lettuce and have a salad party at the end of the season. They need parent volunteers to assist with community outreach/acquiring seedlings, determining the best seedlings to grow, planting in March, watering over long weekends and Spring Break, and assistance with the salad party. They would like to plant herbs after the harvest and are interested in having an adopt-a-box program over the summer. They also need trowels, watering cans, muck tubs and seedlings. The cost of maintaining the project for a year is approximately \$250. Jennifer Barnett stated there is money left in the Outdoor Classroom budget for the purchase of gardening tools and suggested the Outdoor Classroom share tools with the Fourth Grade.

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from the November 19, 2009 meeting stand approved.

**Officer's Reports:**

Vice-President – Kelly Whitley reported the Winter Dance was a success with over 250 people attending. Fitness Night is scheduled for tonight. Hoop Active will be leading activities in the cafeteria. There will also be a craft station and healthy snacks. The Pinchbeck Dads will be running an obstacle course in the gym. Young Scientists visited kindergarten in January and will visit fifth grade. They taught a SOL based lesson on matter. There will be a school wide assembly tomorrow, The Professor I Want to Know Show. This was requested by Ms. Perry.

Treasurer – Robin Jager requested board members check their line items in the budget to make certain they are correct. Contact her with any questions. Please write what the check is for on the memo line of all checks. Please continue to have committee chairs sign off on expenses and count checks and cash twice. She reviewed the policy for dealing with returned checks. First, Robin, will send a letter to the concerned party explaining that their check was returned. If the problem is not resolved she will call. If the money is still not paid, she will send a second letter stating that until the money is paid they cannot purchase any items from Pinchbeck PTA or participate in activities that require payment.

**Committee Reports:**

After School Enrichment – Alicia Shelton reported the After School Enrichment fall session will start on Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup> and run for 6 weeks with an end date of March 31<sup>st</sup>. They are keeping ASE on Wednesdays because it works best for Brooke and Alicia. Sign up will be on line. They will meet with Heidi once all of the classes are confirmed. They will hang a flyer in the office and state that if you do not have internet access, please contact either Brooke or Alicia.

Confirmed classes are:

Gymnastics \$54 all ages  
Young Scientist \$60 all ages  
Tae Kwon Do all ages \$36  
Louise's The United States of Art \$60 3rd - 5<sup>th</sup>  
Acting \$30 4th and 5th

## Guitar waiting for confirmation

Book Fair – Jennifer Barnett reported the Pasta Dinner and first night of Book Fair will be on February 26<sup>th</sup>. There will be a showing of *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs*. The Book Fair will continue the following week.

Community Service – Collections for Mrs. Clayton's Cupboard and Haiti will continue through January 29<sup>th</sup>.

Promotions – Maha ElSherif is stepping down from Promotions. Becky Sehlhorst is taking over Promotions. A box top contest is beginning, boys against girls. Mr. Eggleston and Ms. Carlisle have agreed to represent the boys and girls. The winner will throw a pie in the face of the loser.

Recycling – Cara Genovesi reported the paper weighing contest in December was a huge success. The students were very enthusiastic. She would like to have another contest in April. They are currently collecting empty Elmers glue containers and empty glue sticks.

Room Parents – Jennifer Haueis and Louise Stephens reported that winter parties went well. Second and third grade will be hosting teacher luncheon on January 29<sup>th</sup>, with a tailgating theme.

Tutoring – Tutoring has begun in the mornings and afternoons. The afternoon is more popular with students. Liesel will follow up with Betsy Beamer regarding whether more tutors are needed.

Ways and Means – Becky Myers reported the Talent Show will be held on March 5<sup>th</sup> at the Pemberton auditorium. Tickets will be sold in advance for \$2.50 and \$3 at the door. At the time of this meeting there are 26 acts registered.

Yearbook – Kelly Faglioni reported the deadline for ordering a yearbook is January 31. Shoutouts deadline is mid February. Class photos will be taken by volunteer photographers, the yearbook deadline occurs before school pictures are taken. The committee is taking a survey of the students' five favorites (pizza places, entertainment, ice cream, etc). They will use this survey to help with advertising. Cover contest winner will be announced at the pasta dinner.

### **Principal's Report:** Presented by Mr. Eggleston:

- Parent conferences will be held on February 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Report cards will go home on February 9<sup>th</sup>.
- There will be a Pizza Night for the ESL families at Pinchbeck on March 9<sup>th</sup>. The county ESL adult representative will be available to meet with the parents in the library. During this time, volunteers are needed for childcare in the cafeteria. It would nice to have PTA representatives available to meet families and encourage participation in the PTA.
- Mr. Eggleston would like to remove curtains from windows in cafeteria. He is looking for parent volunteers to paint a mural depicting the five food groups.

### **Housekeeping:**

- Liesel Geiger will be on vacation from January 30<sup>th</sup> through February 5<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Liz Farber with any problems or questions.
- Michelle West is taking on the role of Community Service Chair. Kim Lesniak will continue with Mrs. Clayton's Cupboard.

### **Announcements:**

- *Mon., Feb 1*            *Student Holiday*
- *Tues., Feb 9*            *Report Cards go home*
- *Tues., Feb 9*            *Talent Show Auditions, 2:30pm in cafeteria*
- *Fri., Feb 12*            *Classroom Valentine's Day parties*
- *Fri., Feb 12*            *Talent Show Auditions, 2:30pm in cafeteria*
- *Mon., Feb 15*            *Student holiday*
- *Tues., Feb 16*            *PERKS (K-2) Crab Soccer, 2:15-3:15pm in Gym*
- *Thurs., Feb 18*            *PERKS (3-5) Crab Soccer, 2:15-3:15pm in Gym*

- *Thurs., Feb 18*     *PTA Board Meeting, 7pm in Library*
- *Fri., Feb 26*     *PTA book Fair & Pasta Dinner, 6pm in Cafeteria & Gym*

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:57 pm.

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Marie Hess

The minutes were: \_\_\_approved as submitted

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