

**Central School PTO Meeting  
March 8, 2013**

**Call to Order** 8:30 a.m. in the Central School Library.  
Members Present: Amy Jacksic, Lynda Murphy, Angela Izzo, Kim Macchia, Sue Pipal, Mary Komperda, Jessica Niekrasz, Paula Fudacz. Jane Archer, Meg O'Brien, Samantha Lutz, Dr. Janice Limperis

**Minutes** February 12, 2013 minutes were approved.

**Officers Reports**

**Co-Presidents' Report**

Nominating Committee Jessica reported that members of this year's nominating committee (Jessica Niekrasz, Sue Pipal, Sandy Briolat, Amy Hill and Katie Leander) met and proposed the following slate: Lynda Murphy and Jessica Niekrasz as president, Amy Mooney and Paula Fudacz as 1<sup>st</sup> VP, Amy Hill as 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Kim Macchia as 3<sup>rd</sup> VP, Angela Izzo as Treasurer (subject to bylaw change); Amy Jacksic as Secretary, Sue Pipal as Parliamentarian. This is the second reading of the slate. The election of officers is April 12.

**A motion to approve the slate was made by Kim Macchia, Aberdeen Ozga seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

Parliamentarian Report: (Out of order) Two bylaw changes (attached hereto) were presented for a second reading. The first proposed bylaw change allows a third term for the treasurer. The second bylaw updates the philanthropy description.

**A motion to approve the bylaw changes to allow a third term for the treasurer was made by Paula Fudacz, Jessica Niekrasz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

**A motion to approve the bylaw changes to clarify procedures for the philanthropy committee was made by Angela Izzo, Jessica Niekrasz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

D96 School Board Candidates: The candidates for District 96 School Board (Randy Brockway, Lisa Gaynor, Jennifer Leimberer, Rachel Marrello, Mary Rose Mangia, Mary Ellen Meindl) addressed the membership with a short statement. There was no Q and A. Parent Joe Wanner also addressed the membership regarding his candidacy for District 208 school board.

**1<sup>st</sup> VPs' Report**

Kindergarten Information night was held on March 7. 41 people came to the meeting. Kindergarten registration is March 11-15. Amy and Lynda were congratulated on the nice presentation for parent involvement in the PTO.

## 2nd VP's Report

Philanthropy Requests Jessica Niekrasz explained that the philanthropy committee has met and presented the philanthropy requests, which were approved by the committee for the second trimester.

1. \$260.06 shipping charges on music instruments.
  2. \$120.00 shipping charges for the library cart
  3. \$250 for indoor recess books
  4. \$200 for snowball targets
  5. \$300 for Mrs. Musgrave's classroom trays for desks and book cases.
  6. \$250 for sandwich boards signs for the PTO
- Total requests \$1380.06

**Motion was made to approve the philanthropy requests in the amount of \$1380.06. Jane Archer so moved, Angela Izzo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

**3<sup>rd</sup> VPs Report** no report

## Treasurer's Report (out of order)

Angela Izzo reported that the Science in a Can committee has requested a budget amendment of an additional \$250 to be able to afford more supplies for a total of \$725 due to the large size of the fourth grade class.

**A motion to increase the science in a can budget by \$250.00 Paula Fudacz moved, and Aberdeen Ozga seconded the motion. Motion passed.**

Angela also reported a net loss for the month of February of \$8000. We are working our way through are cash reserves. A total of \$7000 was paid for 1<sup>st</sup> trimester philanthropy requests. Other expenses include the tree lecture, ice skating rental, and science in a can supplies.

## Committee Reports

Board of Education Report: Amy reported that D96 has received financial recognition for the 8<sup>th</sup> year in a row based on how well the district's finances are managed. Student enrollment is up by 60 children since the beginning of the school year. Bids for Hollywood and Blythe construction were discussed. The gym floors at Central and Hauser will be refinished this summer. The second draft of the school board calendar was approved, with a start date of August 27. Dr. Lamberson is scheduled to address the Central PTO membership at April meeting.

Raging Waves: The forms to participate in physical activity for a free water park tickets is due April 15.

School Supplies: Supplies can be ordered on line. Will be picked up at the end of the school year. The supplies will be shrink-wrapped.

Science in a Can: Jennifer reported that there is 95% participation, and 88% of students have given SIC thumbs up!

Read to Succeed: Paula reported that all classes participated, with a total of 196 students.

Teacher Appreciation Lunch: Will be held on May 7. There will be two seatings at the Chew Chew.

Screen Free Week: will be run by Ann Marie Dixon.

RAIN: D96 candidates will be at the RAIN meeting this month, which is always held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 6:30 in the Riverside Public Library.

#### **Principal's Report**

Dr. Limperis reported that second grade would decrease from 4 sections to 3 sections next year. Also, fifth grade will increase to 4 sections. Therefore staff will be realigned. For the elections on April 9, security was discussed and a father who is a police officer has volunteered to act as a security guard. On April 15, Dr. Sharma Lewis will be here to meet the PTO board. ISATs start Monday for 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Please give your child a good night sleep and a good breakfast. The District office will move back to Central, and the special education offices will be moved.

#### **Teacher Representative**

Mrs. Lutz stated that report cards would go home on Monday. Also, the second grade is enjoying their artist in residence experience. There will be an open house on April 18. Students and parents are welcome.

#### **Other Announcements**

Upcoming events:

April 12 – Election of PTO officers for next year

April 18 – Spring Open House

May 7 – Teacher appreciation lunch

May 30 – Talent show

**Adjournment** Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Susan Pipal, Secretary.

**PTO By-laws Article VIII, Section 2, Subsection (d)**

**Proposed amendment – Draft 1/30/13**

A person shall not be eligible to serve more than two (2) consecutive terms as president or treasurer. Other officers may serve more than two consecutive terms.

**Comment [TMO1]:** Insert: “ three (3) consecutive terms as” before the word treasurer

**Comment [TMO2]:** Substitute: “three”

**To read:**

A person shall not be eligible to serve more than two (2) consecutive terms as president or three (3) consecutive terms as treasurer. Other officers may serve more than three consecutive terms.

**PTO By-laws Article XIII, Section 6, Subsection (e)**

**Proposed amendment – Draft 1/30/13**

The Philanthropy Committee shall consist of the incoming president, the immediate past president, the incoming treasurer, the immediate past treasurer, the second vice president and two members appointed by the president. The second vice president shall serve as chairperson. The Philanthropy Committee shall meet three times a year, either in person or by email to determine which philanthropic projects will be funded and in what amount. The Philanthropy Committee shall meet once in the fall and solicit philanthropy recommendations from the membership and school staff at that time. The committee shall meet mid year, and year end to consider any additional philanthropy requests made throughout the year. At each meeting, a majority of the members shall be required to conduct business, either by email or in person. At year end, the Philanthropy Committee shall make recommendations for the expenditure of funds not obligated at the end of the fiscal year, excluding a \$600 carryover. The Philanthropy Committee will present its recommendations to the membership at the May meeting.

**Comment [TMO3]:** Insert: "The recommendations of Philanthropy Committee shall be presented to the general membership for approval."

**Comment [TMO4]:** Insert "at the May meeting of the general membership"

**Comment [TMO5]:** Change "shall" to "may"

**Comment [TMO6]:** Insert "and shall recommend to the membership a carryover of no less than"

**Comment [TMO7]:** Redundant

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