

Henking Hoffman PTA Meeting  
Tuesday, March 16, 2010  
Henking

**Attendees:** Lori Evans, Jodi Hiller, Angela McCune, Marcy Pettersen, Mary Patronik, Ivy Sukenik, Mark Walther, Laura Horowitz, Maureen Pekosh, Marcy Sotirchos, Maggie Rogula

The February minutes were approved.

### **President's Report – Mary Patronik**

- Thank you to Linda Distler, Zoe Sundstrom and volunteers for last month's Henking Movie Night! \$365 was raised for the Debra Gelfand Fund and 3 boxes of canned foods were taken to the Northfield Township Food Pantry.
- Thank you to Kindergarten registration helpers Lindsay Barrett, Laura Horowitz, Cindy Parker, Jacque Swenson and Ande Wells.
- Teacher Appreciation Lunches are this Wednesday at Henking and Thursday at Hoffman. Thank you to everyone who donated!
- We have \$8,000 in Scholastic \$. Will check with schools to see what they would like/need.
- Thanks to Lori Evans and Allison Olson for helping at the Lyon/Pleasant Ridge auction.

### **PTA Council Report – Mary Patronik**

- We are in the process of grouping everyone for Gelfand fund-raising. Prefer to keep it local – perhaps do one big group thing.
- \$138,000 in the Gelfand fund. Don't really need a big fundraiser right now.

### **Benefit – Lori Evans**

- Working on the bid book – going to printer this week
- Teasers in the school newsletters. Goal is to have 300 attendees
- We have great donations from teachers and families
- Congrats to Laura Jenny – she did a great job on advertising. We met our advertising goals.
- Jennifer Quintas did really cute table decorations.
- Overall, feel good about the way it's going!

### **Treasurer's Report - Angela McCune**

- Needs final # of membership from Ande.
- Henking Movie Night – no expenses turned in yet. There might be a charge from Food Services. Mary will look into that.
- Teacher Appreciation – over budget on food, but down on decorations.
- Encourage teachers to spend the \$100 by May 4.

## **Principal Reports**

### **Mark Walther – Hoffman School**

- Thank you for your enthusiastic participation with conferences during the first week in March!
- ISAT testing is almost complete – make-ups this week!
- Dodgeball for Diabetes happens this Saturday, March 20 – 40 teams = 240 students participating. Special thanks to Pat Hoeft, Drew Russell, Terri Kimura, and Maureen Pekosh!
- LSC Parent reps are needed for June 2010 – June 2012. 1 for Henking and 1 for Hoffman – Step up!
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade currently in Human Growth and Development – Parents/students invited to attend special evening presentations with staff from the Robert Crown Health Center 3/22 – 3/25.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Dialogues with 5<sup>th</sup> grade teachers and 6<sup>th</sup> grade teachers on Wed., April 14.
- Looking forward to the Benefit on April 10!
- Projections for 2010-2011: Grade 3 – 9, Grade 4 – 8, Grade 5 – 9 (10?). New 3<sup>rd</sup> grade bilingual. ELP is moving to Pleasant Ridge.
- Institute Day Scavenger Hunt was awesome!
- Can't wait for Teacher Appreciation Lunch on 3/18! Thank you!

Spring Break March 29-April 2. Have fun!

### **Ivy Sukenik – Henking School**

1. Kindergarten registration went very smoothly. We have a large class coming in, although all within our projections. Bilingual kindergarten is the group on the border.
2. The PTA Movie Night was a big hit. The kids had a wonderful time and we got good feedback from parents.
3. Institute Day went well. We started talking about the RLA roll out, technology integration, team building and Thinking Maps.
4. PALMA was a big success. We had 3 stations – 1 for feedback, 1 for reading strategies, 1 for setting limits/homework. We have a good start for a parent advisory committee
5. Holly Kaner's class presented at the board meeting last night about their green screen.
6. Mother Goose is coming to the LRC next week!
7. Bookflix has been very well received by students and staff.
8. Lily Blinkal, Yvonne Shu, and Bill Norberg have all volunteered to work with the butterfly garden.
9. April 8<sup>th</sup> will be a 1<sup>st</sup> grade transition night for parents of kindergarteners to ask questions about 1<sup>st</sup> grade as well as learn about looping.
10. Everyone is thrilled about the teacher appreciation lunch tomorrow. Putting the menus in mailboxes was a brilliant idea!
11. Ms. Lundsberg and Ms. Kaner's students won a contest from Emerald City Theater. All of Henking will get to see a show in our own gym!
12. LSC Mom's Night Out was a lot of fun and we had a great turn out.
13. From Facilities – we got a laptop cart for the mobiles.

### **Teacher Appreciation – Marcy Stoirchos**

- Thank you for the support and donations!

### **Dodgeball for Diabetes – Maureen Pekosh**

- We need a few volunteers for Saturday.
- There will be lots of food – please stay and eat!
- Thank you to Mark for his support!

### **Henking Cultural Arts – Jodi Hiller**

- Received positive feedback on the musical petting zoo.
- Looking at doing drama next year...

### **Environmental Report – Maureen Pekosh**

- A video on recycling will be shown during lunch on Earth Day.
- It may be possible to use Terra-Cycle funds to buy rain barrels for the schools!

**Next meeting:** Tuesday, April 20, 2010 at Hoffman School (9:15 a.m.)