

**PTA Board Meeting Agenda- October**

**DATE: 10/20/09 Start 6:40 pm End 7:30pm**

**In Attendance: Tony Tiberia, Jayashree Morrison, Matthew Shepherd,  
Jolie Nolf, Bridget Bassett**

**Approve Minutes-**

- **Meeting minutes approved for last meeting.**

**Principal's Report- Read from email written by Mr. Singh**

- **The 2009-2010 Teacher of the Year is Ms. Donica Johnson in first grade.**
- **We are in the process of implementing High Touch High Tech learning in the classrooms. This is a company that has hired science instructors who administer science hands-on lab activity sessions. Topics are selected by the homeroom teacher based on the Georgia Science standards. Each student will conduct an experiment or a science activity per session. The total cost will be \$5600-\$5900 for two sessions per student for the year in Grades 1-5. We will be starting sessions in November.**
- **We are ready to start adding Promethean boards in the classroom. My goal is to complete the upper hall (grades 3-5) first and then allocate to the lower hall (k-2). We are going to place the order for four boards in the upper hall this coming week. We will need 11 more boards after this to have Promethean technology school-wide. Jolie Nolf added that the school will be paying for one of the boards purchased this week, while funds from Boosterthon will be paying for the other three.**
- **A new Promethean board has been installed by the county in the media center by the district.**
- **Accelerated Reader is now available for our students. We appreciate your patience.**
- **Kaiser Permanente would like our school to utilize "Give peas a chance". It will fall under health and nutrition.**
- **Parent Assistant Portal will go live on Oct 23. We are ready to serve our parents with the support for registering for the portal. An information letter with the student number and GTID was sent home on Oct 15.**
- **Red Ribbon week is Oct 26-30**
- **Teachers and students are well under way in preparations for the musical and international night on Oct 29<sup>th</sup>.**

**Treasurer's Report – Read from notes by Jolie Nolf**

- **Quicken is up and working and we are in the process of updating and categorizing all the data.**

#### **Committee Reports:**

- **VP Fundraising – Jayashree Morrison**
  - **We are in the process of securing a Spirit Night at the new Stevie B's Pizza Buffet in the Panera/Publix shopping center on Henderson Mill Rd. The owners are very excited and flexible about making a connection with Hawthorne. More details to follow.**
  - **Box Tops contest is over and the results are being counted.**
- **VP Administrative, Classroom & PTA sponsored Committees – Andrea Smith**
  - **No Report.**

#### **New Business**

- **J. Nolf**
  - **National PTA suggests that no money rollover from year to year in our PTA account. Due to this, Jolie suggested using some of the money we have in our account(\$33,00-\$35,000) to purchase as many active boards as possible with the funds before we close the PTA books at the end of the school year. We will decide between leaving 10% of our budget in for pre-ordering Spirit wear and the Boosterthon deposit for the following fall or closer to a zero balance. If passed, PTA could purchase 4-6 more active boards before the end of the year.**
- **B. Bassett**
  - **Suggested using some of the extra PTA funds for increasing the circulation in the library. Possible solutions include getting a list from Ms. Jones of the books she would like to purchase and PTA buying them or possibly asking for a PTA volunteer to help Ms. Jones increase the number of books in our library.**

**Meeting Minutes prepared by Bridget Bassett**

