

Fort Island PTA Minutes
Monday, May 5, 2008

Meeting called to order at 10:00 by Debbie Forster.

Report of Officers:

First VP-Kristine Fonte-Staff Appreciation is set for the week of May 12th. On Monday, May 12th, since PTA volunteers or room parents will not be watching the classrooms during lunchtime, teachers will be going to the luncheon during their normal lunch times. Tuesday the staff will be “digging for gold” (gold nuggets candy) and we will treat the bus garage to breakfast pastries. Wednesday, Beau’s Grill has agreed to donate western omelets and western style potatoes for a staff breakfast. Thursday will be a chocolate fountain and Friday a Spa Day. Old photos of the teachers will be posted for a guessing game as well. If there are extra funds left, drawings will be held for gift card give aways. Boxtops for Education-We made 998.20 for the school year. \$343. goes towards the 08-09 school year. We are looking into Giant Eagle for grocery receipt cash back program for next year.

Treasurer-Blair Lampner-The budget was reviewed. We received \$298. from Acme receipts. Sue Gigliotti made a motion to move all unused committee money to the general fund to purchase Smart Board and projectors for the school once all the receipts have been paid for.

Secretary-Cathy Savage-Copies of the April minutes were distributed. PTA members were asked to review them for later approval.

Corresponding Secretary-Javan Rench-cards were sent to the Plute Family as well as Mrs. Burtoft. Javan will also send out cards to Keia Lockley (loss of her Grandmother), Mr. T (loss of his Aunt), Karen Johnson (baby girl), Mr. T and Ms. Leopold (weddings).

Committee Reports:

After School Programs-Nancy Jones-There are 2 weeks left. Zoo program has 3 weeks left.

Art Show-Deb Forster-Ft. Island had over 100 pieces in the show.

Baking-Deb Forster-The baking committee is providing bakery for the spring concert as well as Staff Appreciation.

Character Traits-Linda Maynard-325 students have been recognized so far, with 125-130 to go yet this school year.

Compassion-Cecelia O'Donnel-\$629.20 was raised from Hat Day this past Friday which will benefit the Plute Family. \$100.00 was donated from one family and \$75.00 was donated from a classroom.

Field Day-Deb Forster-This will be held June 2nd with the morning being kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grades. The afternoon will be kindergarten, 3rd and 4th grades.

Garden Club-Deb Forster-Shelia Wilson will be working in the flower beds this week. Please contact her if you are interested.

Go Green Club-Deb Forster-The last meeting is scheduled for May 14th. They have learned how to make worm composts. Also remember to save ink cartridges over the summer for the collection. The profits may go towards worm composts.

K-Kids-Kristine Fonte-A blanket was made and donated to Jessica Plute. The kids decorated flower pots and will plant flowers in them this month for Habitat for Humanity.

Land Lab-Deb Forster-Clean up day is June 1st 1:00. Thank you to all the girl scouts and cub scouts who have been helping clean up the Land Lab.

Library Coordinator-Deb Forster-Help will be needed to reshelv books the last two weeks of school. A letter will be going home soon for volunteer sign up.

Market Day-Deb Forster-The last sale date pick up is June 25th.

May Plant Sale-KellyVanScyoc-The sale is this Wednesday. Help is needed to help set up Wednesday morning.

School Board Representative-Deb Forster-The HS Principal has resigned. Two 5th grade teachers are retiring. Mr. Kerrigan has signed a contract and is the new Middle School principal.

School Picnic-Chris Brucken-Beach Boyz DJ will provide the entertainment. Instead of snocones, freeze pops or ice cream treats will be served. Volunteer sign ups will be sent home.

SCRIP-Deb Forster-April profits totaled \$91.10. There is still time to order gift cards this week. There will be one more sale the end of May.

TV Turn Off Week-Deb Forster-This Thursday the ice cream party for the 7 day TV turn off will be held during the second recess. Ice pops will be given to those who did the 4 day TV turn off.

The April PTA minutes were approved and filed. A motion was made by Liz Timm and seconded by Chris Brucken.

Principal's Report-Mr. Whitaker-

- Early Ohio Days was a success even though it rained.
- OAT testing is complete and all tests have left the building. Results should be out the middle/end of June.
- Thank you to all who helped with Muffins for Mom's as well as Family Fitness Day.
- The Volunteer Brunch will be held on May 21st at 10:00 am at the Tomahawk Room at the High School.
- The 4th grade Wax Museum will be coming up. All students will have the opportunity to see the students participating.
- The 1st and 3rd grades Spring Music Program is this Thursday evening.

President's Report-Debbie Forster-

- National PTA is pushing for more Dad's to become involved. We will try to get them during membership sign up.
- Ft. Island received the Ohio PTA Unit Achievement Award for our 18% increase in membership and programs to increase parent involvement.
- School Board meeting is scheduled for May 20th at 6:00 pm. The Outstanding Educators and Helping Hands recipients will be recognized.
- May 25th is Take 25, Child Safety Day. Please talk with your child about safety this summer as well as stranger danger.
- A list of all open committee positions for the 2008/09 school year will be going home soon.
- Thank you to Julie Smith and Maureen White for their help with the Art Show, Keia Lockley, Ellyssa Hilton, Mr. Whitaker, and Mark Miller for their help with Family Fitness Day, Amy Siebert and Lori Stone for Mornings for Moms, Kelly VanScyoc for the Plant Sale as well as Hospitality
- Thank you to the Executive Board for their work and support.

Unfinished Business-Debbie Forster-

The Ohio PTA Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to Debbie Forster. Barb Varley is the other recipient representing Ft. Island.

Meeting Adjournment-The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 am