

Copper Beech PTA Meeting Minutes – October 16, 2008

Call to Order: Nicole Wylie extends a big congratulation to Mr. and Mrs. Eilen for the birth of their new baby girl, Sydney! Congratulations are also extended to Maura Hinkle for a successful “Muffins with Mom” event.

Co-Presidents Report: Loretta Fox encourages everyone to check out the new PTA website – all information that you may need regarding events’ dates and times are there. “Movie Night” is scheduled for Friday, November 21 at 7pm. “Alvin and the Chipmunks” will be showing. This event is free and there will be free popcorn. Please note that the November PTA meeting will be held in the cafeteria.

Coordinators – please put all flyers and planning information into folders that can be used as a resource in coming years. If you have previously coordinated events in the past and you have paperwork for those events, please send them in or email Loretta or Nicole. The PTA has “extra” money that we need to spend. We are looking for ideas on how to spend it without incorporating the money into the budget for following years. One idea is a wish list for teachers and/or the PTA. Let us know your ideas!

September’s PTA minutes are approved and seconded.

Administrative Reports:

Dr. Jan Kline, Principal, thanks the PTA for the new paving behind the school. She recommends three books for enjoyment: Dav Pilky’s The Hallowiener, Audrey Penn’s Chester Raccoon and The Big Bad Bully, and Fredrick C. Klein’s For the Love of Baseball. Picture Day is Tuesday, October 21. Halloween is on a Friday! It will be a good time! Look for the flyer that will be coming home! Check out the “Dancing Video” that was shown at Open House on CB’s website! Annual Peace Week is the first week of November; the Peace Rally will be that Friday. American Education Week will be celebrated at CB on November 10 – November 18.

Mrs. Mary Johnson, Curriculum Specialist, reports that Math Support Services and Enrichment groups begin on Monday, October 20, 2008.

Mrs. McFadden encourages everyone to purchase the Copper Beech’s ABC Book!

Treasurer’s Report: Erin Brown reports that the PTA Budget Report for 2008-2009 as of September 30 is available at the back of the library (during the meeting).

Committee Reports/General Information:

Jessica Fuller (not here) reports through Loretta Fox that Market Day is going well. Go online (either to Market Day’s site or CB PTA’s site) for dates.

Marybeth Malfara thanks everyone for their participation in the Sally Foster Fundraiser. The fundraiser was very successful! The Top Sellers will be announced on CB TV by Sally Foster representatives on Friday, October 17. Their names will also be posted on the website and in the Cougar Chronicles. Sally Foster Orders can be picked up on Tuesday, October 21. Dr. Kline drew Derrick Robinson’s name as the winner for the Sally Foster display items drawing. Congratulations!

Ellen DeStefano reports that PTA membership is up to 299 members. Keep sending your memberships and dues in! The Fall Festival will be set up along the same lines as last year’s.

The Directory is expected at the end of October or the beginning of November.

Dianna Pax and Melissa Gargan, the Pizza Night coordinators, report that preparations for Pizza Night are going well.

The Children’s Art Fundraiser, coordinated by Jodi Adrian: work should be done by the end of the week. Submissions by children who don’t go to Copper Beech are due by the end of the day on Monday, October 20. They should be on 8” x 8” white paper. Everyone will get free magnets with their child’s art work on them.

The Book Fair is coming in November. Volunteers are needed!

Suzy Lopolito reports that someone is needed to coordinate the Scholastic Book Orders for next year. Interested volunteers can “shadow” current coordinator to see how it’s done. Maureen Coyle needs all Cougar Chronicles items in by the 15th of each month and they should be in Word format. Eileen Glanton is CB PTA’s new PR person. She’s open to any suggestions.

Judy Wacker asks if anyone has any ideas for speakers who could come to speak to us at the PTA meetings. Let her know if you have any suggestions!

Sharon Porter encourages parents of children who are in the APEX programs to attend the District APEX Parent meetings!

Thank you to the Sixth Grade parents for providing the refreshments at tonight’s meeting!!!

Next PTA Meeting: October 13, 2008 in the cafeteria!!!!