

# VZ PTO MEETING MINUTES

## **PTO Minutes**

*October 4, 2012*

The meeting was called to order by Lea Ryan at 7:05 p.m.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Motion to wave the reading of September's minutes.

Approved by Nicole Bailer Chris McIntyre

### **Board**

The Board, principal, and guests were introduced. Thank you for coming. Thank you to Karen Dancer, Nicole Meyers & Arlene Harvey for organizing tonight's meetings hospitality. Thank you to those that provided hospitality. Also, thank you to the PTO committee chairs that are present tonight.

### **PRESENTATION: Cartridge World of Cherry Hill/Owner Marty Long**

Marty explained the new Cartridge World Fundraiser. For every Cartridge World ink cartridge returned/recycled to this location from VZ families, Cartridge World will give back 5% to the VZ PTO. For every name brand ink cartridge returned/recycled Cartridge World will give 10% back. Complete details available on VZ website under PTO/Frequently used forms.

### **PRESENTATION: Art Goes to School/Dina Ambrose**

Dina presented VZ with the winning print from last year, entitled, Scream. It will be displayed in the VZ library along with all the previous year's prints.

### **Officers Reports**

#### **President-Lea Ryan**

\*Presidents Meetings Recap- Pat Gould from the Cafeteria was present to talk about the new state required food choices. More is available at schoolmenu.com, including recipes, kid's activities and the Breakfast Program, which you must "opt in" for your child to receive.

\*Math program- The 2hr delayed openings/Teacher-In-Services are for teacher training in the new math curriculum.

\*The Star Lab is confirmed to this year's Science Spectacular 3/22

\*Next BOE meeting is Oct at VanZant.

\*Clubs & Activities are free this year. No student fees.

\*The teacher's luncheon was VERY successful this year. Thank you.

\*The PTO BTS night bake sale & spirit sales successful as well

\*Thank you to Jean Marie for an amazing job this morning at the Room Rep Tea.

**VP-Beth Kromish** All committee chairs are receiving their welcome letter tonight. There are a few open committee chair positions; Blood Drive, By-Laws & Holiday/Secret Shop. Communicator committee is "on hold" for the time being. The dates for the Holiday/Secret Shops are the weeks of 12/3 & 4/29, respectively. Merchandise for the holiday shop has already been ordered. Sue Wilder & Kim Warner offered to co-chair By-Laws committee. Thank you. All committee chairs have access to your respective committee list and their contact information online. The Committee Volunteer List is very large this year so please access the list for your committee needs. You can still join committees. If committee chairs need to make photocopies please contact me and I can help.

**VP-Wendy Palfy** There has been 97 Spirit wear orders thus far earning approx \$550 in profits. The KidsStuff fundraisers closed on 9/28 with 224 KS books having been sold earning \$2800 in profits. There are still 53 OUTSTANDING KS books. If you have one at home please return. The PTO is responsible for those books. Upcoming fundraisers: Ladies Night at Jewelbilee, Maria's Cookie Cupboard & Market Day Fundraiser

### **Recording Secretary-Katie Alexander**

**Corresponding Secretary-Lisa Sauer** The PTO has received several thank you cards for the teacher's luncheon, the ActiveView cameras & ActiveView boards, as well as, coffee pots we bought for the VZ faculty and for the new laminator. The PTO also sent flowers to an ill PTO committee chair.

**Treasurer-Marianne VanDyk** Reviewed & detailed P&L statement. Treasurers Report is available on the VZ website, under PTO. Committee chairs please look at the anticipated expenses of report, that is your budget for your individual committee. Motion to approve budget, which was detailed at Septembers PTO meeting. **MOTION APPROVED by general approval.** Motion to allocate monies (\$3200) for planners & folders for the 2013-2014 school year. **MOTION APPROVED Jen Yocum Sue Wilder**

### **Principal's Report**

Principal Rosemary McMullan presented her report. A long-term substitute and two other substitutes have mentioned to Miss McMullen about how well-behaved our students are. Miss McMullen thanks the parents. On 10/16 VZ will receive a visit from the State. It is expected to last 1hour. Review of NJ ASK testing results, VZ did **VERY WELL**. Solar panels are to be installed at VZ. They will cover the entire roof. Some trees will have to be removed but new trees will be planted. The monitoring station for the solar panels will be in the library. Also, Math Institute (Night) is scheduled for 11/29 6:30-7:30.

### **Unfinished Business**

- Website [evesham.k12.nj](http://evesham.k12.nj). (select Van Zant from school drop box) then PTA, then PTO. From that site, you can like the Van Zant PTO Facebook page by clicking on link. The website is being updated regularly with information, forms, school calendar of events and committee chairs.

### **New Business**

#### **Committee Reports**

- Book Fair/Newsletter-Chris McInyre At this year's book fair there will be a Boys Vs. Girls contest. At each register will be collection boxes label Boys and Girls. Extra change and/or donated money can be put in these collection boxes. Scholastic will MATCH what we raise. The money collected will be used for the purchase of books for our library. There is also a online book fair for those unable to attend the book fair night. Principal McMullen has received her order of books for students birthday gifts. Chris asked for a

Motion to buy 4 bean bag loungers from Scholastic with our Scholastic points/money. The bean bag chairs will be used for raffles at the book fair, CandyBar Bingo, Volleyball game and the Fun Fair. **ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION GRANTED UNANIMOUSLY.** Approx 2,000 scholastic points left. Chris wants to give to the teachers for the Holidays.

- Court Yard- Raye Lynn Banks The front of the school was cleaned up & mums were planted
- Fun Fair-Kerry Anyzek & Nicole Bailer The Fun Fair is scheduled for 5/18 with a rain date of 5/19
- Hospitality- Nicole Meyers A sign-up sheet was passed around for next PTO meeting
- Market Day-Jen Yocum We earned a \$200 profit from September sales. The October deadline is 10/10 & online sales end 10/16. If you are new to MD use PROMO CODE New5 to receive discount. Go to Marketday.com. Also available on Marketday.com is a list of alternative treats for Halloween available on their website.
- Membership/Room Reps-Jean Marie Farkas We are at 272 members. We have 311 families. Any classroom with 100% room participation will get a pizza party from the PTO. The Room Rep Tea went well.
- Recreation-Bridget-Nelson First event of the school year is Trunk or Treat. Volunteers are needed to play games with the kids while the trunks are set up. A flyer is to be sent out for this event. The kids will vote on their favorite trunk & the winning trunk will receive a gift card.
- School Board Liaison-Sue Wilder Sept BOE meeting recap. Marketing firm, Advantage 3, has been contracted to run ads on Evesham Public Schools Website. The school district will receive 51% back from online marketing and 61% from bus advertising. VanZant & Beeler schools have been approved for solar panels. Reminder to vote for school board members. BOE Event Wine & Dine is scheduled for Friday 2/1/13 at the Mansion in Voorhees.

- Science Spectacular-Kim Warner Science Spectacular is scheduled for 3/22/13

**Announcements** The VZ Chorus will be performing 10/23 at the Kitchen Kapers new store opening in Marlton from 2:30-3:30

Raffle Winners **Kerry Anyzek & Joann Robinson**

**Next Meeting**

November 1, 2012 @ 7:00 pm VZ Library

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:15 p.m. and was passed unanimously.