

# VZ PTO MEETING MINUTES

## PTO Meeting Minutes February 7, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Lea Ryan @ 7:08 p.m.

### Approval of Minutes

Motion to wave the reading of January minutes.

Approved by Nicole Meyers JeanMarie Farkas

### Board

The Board, principal, and guests were introduced. Thank you for coming. Thank you to Nicole Meyers for organizing tonight's hospitality & those that provided hospitality. Thanks to Kim Kulinski for a successful Blood Drive. Congratulations to the DARE graduates and their parents. Thank you Bridget Nelson for a successful Candy Bar Bingo & congratulations to EMILY FAZZIE for winning the beanbag chair raffle! Congratulations to SHAELYN ALEXANDER for being a runner up in the Evesham Twp. "Design Our Logo" contest. She was presented with a certificate & a gift card at the December BOE meeting.

### Officers Reports

#### President-Lea Ryan

January Recap: Candy Bar Bingo night was a fun night & we collected a lot of canned goods.

February Preview: Our blood drive was Monday night. Thank you to Kim Kulinski for a great job organizing it. Valentine's Day Pretzel Sale is currently taking place. Heart shaped soft pretzels for \$1.00 to be delivered on Valentine's Day. The PTO is giving every student a Smencil for Valentine's Day. VZ's Birthday is February . His party theme is Disney. The Room Reps are bringing in cupcakes for their respective classes. The PTO is having a roller skating party from 6-8pm to celebrate VZ's Birthday. Admission is free, skate rentals are \$3.00. The Book Fair is February -March . Family Night is Tuesday 2/26.

#### VP-Beth Kromish

The new committee co-chair for the newsletter (The Van Zant Voice) is Wendy Durante. We are still looking for a co-chair for the Book Fair.

#### VP-Wendy Palfy

Panhero's Night is 2/20/13 from 5-8pm. The manager goes above & beyond to help us have a successful fundraiser. VZ PTO will earn 20% of the proceeds. McPrincipal Night was very successful with VZ PTO earning \$625.00 to be used towards field trips. Winning classes were: place Mrs. Fusco, Place Mrs. Ricciardi (with 100% participation) and Place Ms. Nocito. Thank you to everyone that came out. The Manager at McDonalds chose VZ to receive a FREE Anti-bullying assembly with Ronald McDonald. The assembly would normally cost \$5,000. We are looking into having a fundraiser this summer at a RiverSharks game. Stay tuned for more details. We are also looking into a new consignment vendor for our spring secret shop. Our volleyball game vs. Evans Elementary is 3/20 at Evans School. Order forms will go out next week for t-shirts. The game was a huge success last year & hopefully the spirit will continue this year. Kids & parents can order shirts for \$6 a t-shirt with plus sizes available, but at an additional

charge. The t-shirt company needs the order NO LATER than Monday 3/11, so please send in your forms on time.

**Recording Secretary-Katie Alexander** Encourage all to sign-in.

**Corresponding Secretary-Lisa Sauer**

**Treasurer-Marianne Vandyk-** Reviewed & detailed P&L statement.

### **Principal's Report**

Principal Rosemary McMullan presented her report.

We had our DARE graduation. We are so grateful for all the parent support. We had some very well written speeches. Shaelyn Alexander won the district logo contest for our school. Although she did not win the district she was honored at the December BOE meeting. We are working on getting her logo on our school webpage. Thank you to Bridget Nelson for Candy Bar Bingo. We raised a lot of canned goods. A Food Bank of SJ location is right around the corner & we will get a truck & get those items there soon. The first week in March is Read Across America. There is a parent at Beeler who is an author we have been in contact with to come & read to a class. VZ's birthday is 2/14. He is about 27 years old. He is a Vuppet (Puppet & Muppet).

### **Unfinished Business**

- PTO Expo 4/23  
Lea, Beth, Wendy & Katie are registered to go. Anyone else interested please contact Lea ASAP
- WIN WINE & DINE  
Lea attended & reported that it was a great success. Hosted by the Evesham Education Foundation. They raise money to help local schools. An invitation has been extended to the chairperson to present at an upcoming PTO meeting.

### **New Business**

- New co-chair for VZ Newsletter is Wendy Durante.

### **Committee Reports**

- Fifth ( ) Grade Activities- **Sophia Mowad** Made a motion to use all profits from the Market Day desserts fundraiser to go towards grade activities. The fall desserts fundraiser did not go well because of Hurricane Sandy. The goal is to have every grader buy 1 dessert. The class with the most participation will win a pizza party. The extra fundraising money will go towards gifts for the graders. Approved by Michele Hack Jackie Starvos. Motion passed unanimously. Colonial Day is 3/28 from 9am-11:30. Pasta Night is Friday 4/26/13. The pool party at Woodstream Swim Club is 6/10 & RD 6/11. The money for this comes out of this committee's budget. \$300 for the pool rental, \$65 for the pool manager, \$70 for 2 lifeguards & a \$500 deposit. Kerry Anyzek made the suggestion for this committee to do a pretzel sale fundraiser at Dad's Deli, behind Rita's Water ice,

on the first day of spring when Rita's gives out FREE water ice. The Fun Fair committee did it a few years ago and raised a decent amount of money.

- Fun Fair-**Kerry Anyzek** We have spent some money already on items for gift baskets. We are in need of a person to run the game room, which includes setting it up & breaking it down. Kerry also suggested to having a fundraiser at Donna's Bag. We could get 10-20% back from sales. Similar to the Jewelbilee fundraiser.
- Hospitality- **Nicole Myers** Passed around sign- up sheet for next meeting. Thank you for tonight's items. We will need volunteers to help with the Science Spectacular luncheon.
- Market Day- **Jen Yocun & Lauren Gebhart** 2/20 is the cut-off date for Market Day orders. 2/26 is the sale/pickup date. We need help to unload the truck. Dessert bonus days in March.
- Membership- **JeanMarie Farkas** There have been no new members since 10/31/12. There is no class with 100% participation.
- Recreation-**Bridget Nelson** Bingo recap. Thanks to those that helped with Bingo Night. Becky Keen was a big help. VZ Skating party at Cherry Hill Skating Center is 2/14 from 6-8pm. Thank you for getting the flyer out.
- Room Reps- **JeanMarie Farkas** The following room reps will be the FunFair grade level basket coordinators. K/Nicole Bailer, /Anne Winkelman, /Erin Borman, /Michelle Foley, /Maria Ferguson, /Dina Ambrose. The Fun Fair basket themes by grade level are K/Movies, /Beach, /Phillies, /Eagles, /games, and /electronics.
- School Board Liaison-**Sue Wilder** (reported by Beth Kromish) The next BOE meeting is 2/28 at Evans School. Voting on privatizing buses.

- School Store- **Parents are unaware of the school store dates. Maybe they can be posted on our web page.**
- Science Spectacular-**Kim Warner** We got a few more people on board to present. We are in need of 3rd grade & 4th grade presenters. Suggestions were made to contact Sahara Sam's for them to present with their Sambulance.
- TD Bank-**Erin Borman** (reported by Beth Kromish) There are 2 kids that make deposits every month. 1 new account was opened.
- Volunteer Recruitment- **Committee chairs please reach out to Barb if you are in need of help with your committee!**

#### **Announcements**

- **Presidents Report-Our budget needs to pass. Please attend one of the two upcoming informational committee meetings 2/11 at Demasi or 2/13 at Marlton Elementary. If our budget doesn't pass there is a good chance that Evans School will close. VZ would see the influx of students from Evans. Support our teachers with their training & support our students with a great education. We need to maintain our students' education & class size. 81% of the budget is salary & budget. The Power Point presentation of the budget was in this week's (2/6/13) communicator envelope online. (Available on VZ website)**
- **Mardi Gras Night 2/22 6PM Hosted by Marlton Elementary @ Indian Springs \$35/person**
- **Valentines for Tommy – Frosh at Cherokee who was diagnosed & is being treated for cancer. The PTO/PTA have joined together to make Valentine's Day cards for him.**

#### **Raffle Winners**

Sophia Mowad & Maria Velenza (They received flower arrangements from Zenplicity in Crispin Shopping Center)

**Next Meeting**

March 2013 @ 7:00 pm VZ Room 124

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:10 p.m. and was passed unanimously.