

**AGS PTO BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**November 2, 2009**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:32pm. Board members present were Lori Kessler, Ann Gerardi, Cathy Dremel, Denise Bautch, Mary Collins, Lisa Foydel Kramer, Jennifer Tonn, Christine Ralston, and Kristy VanderLoon. Guests included ECC teacher representative Susan Jones.

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes from the previous board meeting were reviewed. Lisa Foydel Kramer made a motion to approve the October 5, 2009 board meeting minutes, Jennifer Tonn seconded, all in favor.

**Old Business:**

- Movie night made just under \$200, 120 people attended. Surveys were inconclusive as to what movie to show next, and respondents definitely want pizza and/or hot dogs. Next movie night is January 29. Committee needs to choose the next movie, not a clear consensus among respondents. Need to select coordinator to oversee movie night.
- Fun Fair is scheduled for February 26 from 5-8pm: theme is Gators on Safari. Food will include a baked potato bar. Next planning meeting is Thursday, November 19 at 7pm at Panera, then Thursday, December 10. Baskets will be different: 1/grade level, and a few others so there will be about 10 total baskets.
- Expo profit is \$400. Viking Office Supply is donating balloons to decorate hallways. Tables have been requested. Vendors will enter the building and bring their supplies through the MPR. More than 111 conferences are scheduled for November 5. Ginger's Gift Gallery wants to participate with coupons for % back to PTO for the next month through December 5.
- Family portraits, decisions still pending.

**President's Report:** Kristy VanderLoon has been communicating with Tom Lichtenheld, local author/illustrator of children's picture books, to come in for a daylong assembly and a reading/writing night for families during the first week of February. She will try to schedule for Thursday, February 4 @ 630pm. He will be here the whole day and is willing to sign books. For the Field Day assembly, Kristy VanderLoon hopes to get a "science" guy.

Susan Jones and ECC are trying to do an ECC fundraiser, maybe a t-shirt fundraiser, and they would donate the profits back to the PTO to repay the AGS PTO's generosity.

Karen Nellis' husband works for BP, and BP would like to make a donation (\$100) to AGS PTO. If we received their donation, we would put it under the ECC line item in the budget.

**Principal's Report:** Mrs. Ralston discussed the Batavia Educational Program Review (BEPR), in which 29 programs are being reviewed. Mrs. Ralston is facilitating the LRC review group. All programs are being reviewed to determine what effect a 10% budget reduction would have, and also a 25% budget reduction. BEPR is to be an ongoing measure.

**Treasurer's Report:** Denise Bautch provided a financial update as of 10/31/09 (as presented).

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President's Report:** Ann Gerardi reported she is meeting with Inter-State tomorrow to start planning the yearbook.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President's Report:** Cathy Dremel had three special appropriations requests (as presented). Cathy summarized the Financial Committee's discussions of merits and reasons for approvals and denials.

- Request 09/10-1 Speakers/Wireless Presenters: Cathy recommended we deny the special appropriation, but that we purchase all 11 and fund under the technology support budget, not special appropriations. Cathy will follow up with Mrs. Ashby.
- Request 09/10-2 Keyboard Covers: Cathy motioned to deny, Denise Bautch seconded. (Cathy will research better prices.)
- Request 09/10-3 CD/Tape Players: Cathy motioned to deny the special appropriation, but that we fund the purchase under the technology support budget. Denise Bautch seconded.

**Classroom Support Report:** Amy Moore was unable to attend.

**Ways & Means Report:** Lisa Foydel Kramer reported that the Panera fundraiser made \$290. Next dining around town fundraiser is Monday, November 9 from 5-8pm at Cici's Pizza. California Pizza Kitchen fundraiser is set for January 11. McDonalds is still collecting receipts for us on a certain date each month and sending us a profit check.

**Communications Report:** Jennifer Tonn reported that the Gazette is done for this week, and will go out Thursday. This is the last hard copy distribution; December's Gazette will be electronic.

**New Business:** Need a spring dance coordinator. Need a courtyard coordinator, maybe ask Boy Scouts/Eagle Scouts to do service hours in the courtyard, and a courtyard coordinator.

**Adjournment:** Lisa Foydel Kramer made a motion to adjourn this meeting at 8:32pm, Jennifer Tonn seconded, all in favor.