

# Mount Horeb

## PTO Minutes

Thursday, June 9th 2011, 9:30am

### Those in attendance:

Cheryl Fritzlo  
Cecilia Beisler  
Karen Carapezzi  
Celeste Campos  
Bonnie Lavoie  
Lora Sedlak

Nicky Toor  
Cathy Cooper  
Cecelia Fontana  
Liz Peterson  
Gladden Falivene  
Deneen Gatto

Mr. Kimmick, Principal  
Jodi Scheiner  
Linda Draper  
Pat Levine  
Suzanne DiSturco  
Colleen Abbot

Meeting called to order at 9:45am by Presidents, Cheryl Fritzlo & Karen Carapezzi.

### President's Report, Cheryl Fritzlo & Karen Carapezzi:

1. **Welcome and Thank-you Breakfast** – Cheryl and Karen thanked the PTO and Mr. Kimmick for a wonderful year.
2. **Introduction of the 2011-12 Board** – Cheryl and Karen introduced the new Board and handed the meeting over to new PTO President Celeste Campos.
3. **Town Wide Patriots Night June 10<sup>th</sup>** – hoping for good weather for event. 1200 tickets were sold across the Warren District schools and 230 were from Mt. Horeb School.
4. **Golf Outing June 13<sup>th</sup>** – 26 golfers are confirmed for upcoming event.
5. **Highlights for 2011-12 Calendar of Events :**
  - **Kindergarten Summer Playgroups** – 11 incoming kindergarten children attended first playgroup.
  - **Outside Movie Night September 16<sup>th</sup>**
  - **Halloween Party October 28<sup>th</sup>**
  - **Bingo Family Fun Day January 28, 2012**
  - **International Day will be in March or April (still being confirmed)**
  - **Spring Dinner Dance Friday April 20, 2012** – this event will be open to Friends and Family. Event will be held at the Martinsville Inn. Baskets and raffle tickets will be sold to raise funds for the PTO.
6. **New EBlast System and email address:** [mounthorebpto@yahoo.com](mailto:mounthorebpto@yahoo.com)
7. **Food Days 2011-12 – we need volunteers to help serve lunch!!!** The school is in jeopardy of losing its 5<sup>th</sup> food day if we do not get more volunteers to serve lunch on that day. An EBlast will be sent out requesting volunteers.
8. **Vote on 2011/12 Budget**

### Principal's Message, Mr. Kimmick:

1. **Thank you to Field Day Committee for a very successful day.**

2. **Thank you to Cheryl and Karen** for all their hard work and all they have done for the school. Mr. Kimmick will miss working with both of you.
3. **Updates on Staffing:**
  - Dr. Kelly Stankiewicz will be staying as Guidance Counselor
  - Mrs. Figuera will be moving to ALT. ALT had 2 retirements so she will be moving to fill those spots.
  - Mrs. Stoyanov will be on maternity next year.
  - Mrs. Hildebrand will also be on maternity leave next year.
4. **Developmental Learning Center** – will be running an organized program within Mt.Horeb next year. The current model will allow Autistic students from Mt. Horeb to flow and integrate within our classrooms. This provides an opportunity for our staff to develop and grow.
5. **Reach** – will be a little different next year and the current program will be adding a technology piece that will be combined with the current computer classes. Mrs. Lewis will work with Mrs. Piller in her classroom. These will be pre-engineering classes focusing on open-ended problems. Mrs. Piller was selected as Teacher of the Year for the Lions club.
6. **Grade 3, 4, 5** – one class will have 2 teachers and one of those teachers will be a Special Education teacher working with the Homeroom Teacher. Both teachers will provide instruction and the co-teaching model is hoped will reduce the pull-out ratio, remove the stigma and provide more teaching within the classroom.
7. **Physical Education** – will increase to 75 minutes over 5 days. Kindergarten will not have a scheduled PE class but they will be working with Mr. Ahimovic for certain times.
8. **World Languages** – in grades 3, 4, 5 students will receive 25 min, three times per week.
9. **June 14<sup>th</sup>** – results of placement tests will be going out for 4<sup>th</sup> grade.

Meeting adjourned 10:35am.