

Meeting Minutes 10-23-08

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Karen Carapezzi:

1. Fund Raising:
 - a. We raised \$23,850 from our Enhancing Education Fundraiser, which does not include the \$800 company match, which we have not yet received (approximately \$4,000 short of our goal). ALT also fell short of their fund raising goal by approximately \$4,000.00. The Halloween party will be cut and we will not replace the muralist previously scheduled.
 - b. PTO ideas for fund raising: an extra pizza day; a walkathon.
2. Holiday Bazaar: It will be a great event. Each grade level is responsible for donating a gift basket for the raffle. There will be a kids' table with kid appropriate items.
3. Halloween: Parade will begin at 1:40. The notice will go home in the backpack. Brett will help with parking. The children will pause at certain points for pictures. The party for the kids is to be attended by classroom parents only. The Social Action Committee will collect candy for donation on November 3 and 4.
4. Book Fair: Scheduled for November 3 and 4 and we still need volunteers. There will be an e-mail blast and a scholastic flyer sent home prior to shopping.
5. Elections: We will conduct a mock election on October 27 and 28. Mrs. Piller still needs volunteers to assist.
6. Life Skills Meeting: Scheduled for 11/13 entitled Empowering Everyone to Avoid Bullying.

Senora Cruz: Does a Smart Board presentation. Cost for a Smart Board is between \$3,000 and \$4,000.

1. We have smart boards in the Spanish and Computer rooms and the children love them.
2. The Middle School has 9 smart boards.
3. Having the smart boards in the Specials Rooms allows all the children to have access to them.

Mr. Kimmick:

1. Walking Club: The gym teacher will be starting a walking club at recess. Students who join will receive a club card that will be stamped based on how

much they walk. Students will “walk across the country” using mapped courses on the black top.

2. Code of Conduct: There are Code of Conduct signs posted around the building. The school is working with Rutgers College for social and emotional learning. Students should be encouraged to do their best, keep calm, and listen to others.

At the next PTO meeting we hope to have the “Lice Lady” here to speak.