

OCTOBER 12, 2010

General PTO Announcements – Rose Hornung

- Welcome & Introductions
 - New PTO Officers
 - President: Rose Hornung
 - Vice President: Saul Hornung
 - Treasurer: Teri Benedix
 - Secretary: Leslie Guerry
- Explanation of 50/50 Raffle - to help off-set childcare expense for PTO Meetings(Supervised childcare for children (4 years Old and up)
- Attend PTO Meeting and receive one hour towards volunteer credit
- A free dress pass is given to parents for attending PTO meeting.
- PTO meetings are the second Tuesday-Every month. Except December.
- Parents informed that Meeting Minutes are available in front office and that Minutes will be posted on Website.
- The *5th Annual Chili Cook-off and Dessert Contest* was a success! Thanks to all the volunteers and parents for cooking and
 - Chili Winners: Mr. Crocker
 - Dessert Winners: the Bailey Family

General School Announcements – Mrs. Tapp

- Mrs. Tapp informed everyone that the school received matching Computer monitors in the Teachers work area from the Harris Hero's Program which donates equipment and materials to area schools.
- Mrs. Tapp informed everyone about School Activities, picture retake day, and school holiday.
- Mrs. Tapp explained the importance of students attending school regularly as possible for the full day. She stated that on average day there are ten children checked out of school in the early afternoon. She also stated that the School Advisory Council monitors this closely.
- October 25 - October 29 Red Ribbon Week is Drug Prevention Week. Students are encouraged to participate in the following daily activities:
 - **Monday**-Drugs turn you inside out
 - Wear Shirts inside out
 - **Tuesday**-Sock It to Drugs-
 - Wear Crazy Socks
 - **Wednesday**-I Can, You Can, We Can
 - Bring Canned Goods to school. The school will be collecting canned goods through one week prior to Thanksgiving to help families in the community.
 - **Thursday**-Drugs don't make cents-
 - Teachers will be collecting change for PTO – (Christine Tomasetti graciously accepted the responsibility of collecting and counting all of the funds)
 - **Friday**-I'm a Jean-ius, I'm Drug Free-
 - Wear Jeans

- October 29th-Students will be receiving their Report Cards.
- What is Montessori? – Everyone attending the PTO Meeting went to the First Grade Class to watch a few students representing each grade level perform a Montessori Lesson. Thank you students for volunteering – well done!

Treasury Report – Teri Stone

End of August balance - \$6,113.67

Fund Raisers

- Box Tops – Mr. Crocker mentioned if parents are purchasing items on line they should go through Box Tops for Education which will benefit the school. School Box Top contest ends on 10/27. Winning Class gets a treat which will be determined later. Go to the website to download coupons:
<http://www.boxtops4education.com>
- School T-Shirts for sale in the office for \$10.
- Art to Remember – Parents will be able to purchase items with art work designs created by their children printed on the items. These make great Christmas presents for family members.
- Valentine Raffle-Volunteers needed to help organize a committee for this fund raiser.
- Holiday Cook-off Potluck
 - Where: Melbourne Village Hall
 - When: Saturday, November 13
 - Who Should Attend: Everyone
 - Time: 5:30 – 7:30pm
 - Cost: \$5.00 per ticket

School Clubs

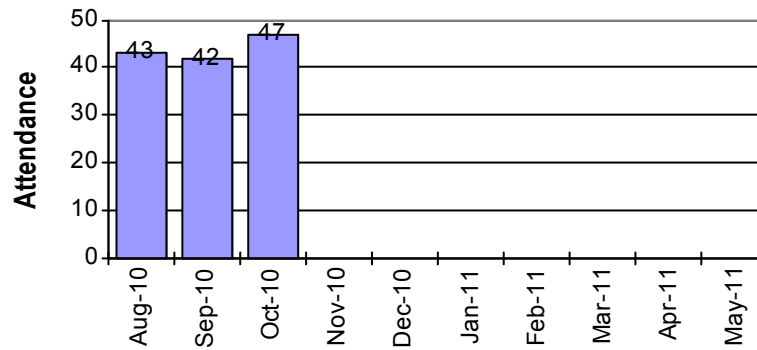
- Stacking Club – Club Leader: Mrs. Crider
 - Needs additional parent volunteers to assist with the club. This club is currently meeting on 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month
- Lego Robotics – Club Leader: Mr. Fidler
 - This is a competitive club for older children that meets on Thursday 3-4:30.
- Nature Club – Club Leader: Mrs. Grace
 - This club is suitable for all ages and is currently meeting on 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month

**IMPORTANT: Any parent that is in charge of running a club must be fingerprinted. The cost is about \$58.00 and it takes about six weeks to have this process handled.*

PTO Discussions

- The PTO approved \$300.00 to be given to each teacher to purchase materials they need for their class this year.
- PTO is checking prices to order adult sized school T-shirts.
- A topic of discussion was the importance of identifying exact goals we are trying to reach by holding Fund Raisers and how much is needed to accomplish these goals.
- Funding request was made regarding the end of the year class field trip for the Indian River Lagoon Field Trip. Motion made to vote on this after total cost has been determined.

PTO Attendance Report



Next PTO Meeting – November 9, 2010