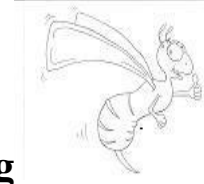


## **Granger Elementary PTO Meeting**



September 28, 2005

Meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. with 27 in attendance.

Minutes provided for review on line. Motion to accept minutes made by Heather Duve and seconded by Donna King

- **Principal Report:**

Report read by Julie Sievers due to Mrs. Collins preparing for the Reading Kick Off Assembly.

- **Calendar-**

September 28 – Reading Kick Off Assembly  
October 3-7 – Student Count Week  
October 4 – Staff Meeting  
October 6-7 – IAT Conference  
October 7 – Spirit Day – Students to wear green, white and black  
October 11 – Begin IOWA Testing grades 2,3,5 and 4<sup>th</sup> Grade CoGat  
October 12 – Pre-School and Kindergarten to Boyert's Farm  
October 13 - Pre-School and Kindergarten to Boyert's Farm  
October 14 – No School- NEOEA Day  
October 17 – Board of Education Meeting  
October 17- No School – Professional Development Meeting  
October 18 – Ordinary Place Magic People Assembly  
October 24 – George Wodieck Assembly  
October 25 – Leadership Team Pizza Party  
October 26-27 – Linda at Conference  
October 26 – PTO Meeting  
October 26 – Fall Pictures  
October 27- 5<sup>th</sup> Graders to Art Museum  
October 27 – K and Pre-School Halloween Parties  
October 28 – End of First Quarter  
October 28 - Halloween Parties

- **Discussion Items**

Thank You – Thank you to all who helped on the Magazine Sale and through the week of the Book Fair.

New Grade Card Format – You will see a new grade card format. Teachers have been trained in the new format. This will provide us with more comments available as well as make the access to grade cards easier for teachers, once they learn the system. Also we are going from 3 grade cards for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade to 4 grade cards, so grades 1-5 will receive report cards at the same time.

Grade level Meetings- Teachers are working hard on Assessment Mapping at grade level meetings. They are taking apart the content standard indicators and putting them on an assessment map that clearly shows at what time during the school year the skill will be taught and assessed. This is a fairly detailed process and we are currently working on the area of Language Arts.

School Newspaper – Two teachers, Miss Hyland and Mrs. Waltos along with Mrs. Finucane will coordinate a quarterly newspaper written by the students. Mrs. Finucane volunteered to help with this last month at the PTO meeting and a day later before I mentioned it to anyone Miss Hyland and Mrs. Waltos approached me about putting together a newspaper. They are already in the process of getting a core group of students to work on the project.

Reading is the Key to the World - Kick off assembly is this morning. The October calendars are upstairs ready to be printed off and hopefully the excitement begins. Mrs. Sturgeon is in the process of purchasing an additional \$500 of Multicultural Books that will go along with our reading theme and our Highland Foundation Grant.

- **Requested Items**

I have asked for a quote from Roger Saffle for a LCD projector and a Smart Board. I believe that this will cost in the area of \$2500. I am also trying to set money aside in my budget to purchase a second one. I am sure we are going to need several within the next couple of years, but my hope is that by the end of the year we can have two.

I have spoken to the company doing the bricklaying and they are working together with the sign company. Hopefully it won't be much longer before this is a completed project.

At this time, I see no additional building wide requests.

- **Treasurers Report: Karen Delaney**  
Funds available for support - \$6,117.76. Motion to approve budget made by Cindy Lenhart and seconded by Karen Scherler.

**Monetary Requests:**

Donna King: \$1000 needed for Holiday Shoppe (approved by Karen Scherler and seconded by Heather Duve)

Anita Funicane: \$500 for compass rose installation (approved by Kathy Alred and seconded by Mary Slifka)

Debbie Mall: money needed to print Family Directory by Mail Room (approved by Barb Wright and seconded by Gail Gold) no dollar amount determined.

**Teacher Requests:**

Mrs. Lyon – request for more die-cuts (approved by Barb Wright and seconded by Erica Loomis) no dollar amount determined. Checking on different vendors.

Second Grade teachers: \$330 for the Science to Go Program-(approved by Gail Gold and seconded by Angela Raynor)

Mrs. Kennedy – Bird Feeders and food (approved) no dollar amount determined

- **New Business:**

New school sign will be installed on Friday.

Dominics Pizza will be available to purchase on Market Day at the school every month. A flyer will be sent home if you would like to order pizza.

Ideas are needed to improve the pick up procedure after school. Thank you to Mrs. Zacharias and Miss Frambaugh who try to make the pick up run as smooth as possible.

Lori Bryant to draft formal letter for businesses to obtain donations for the school.

Deadline for newspaper articles for Mrs. Collins is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month.

Thank you to Debbie Mall for the family directory and to Kathy Alred for the Green Card.

Looking for donations of indoor recess games.

Thank you to Cindy Lenhart and Karen Scherler for another great magazine sale!!!

Anita Finucane along with Miss Hyland and Mrs. Waltos are starting a school newspaper. 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders are encouraged to turn in application to help with the newspaper. Students will be writing articles to be published in the paper. There will be a name the newspaper contest. A box will be in the library for the ballots. There will be a meeting on Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>

from 8:00 to 8:45 a.m. with the teachers if anyone is interested in helping out

- **Standing committee reports:**

**Rebates:** Heather Duve

Remember to turn in your Box Tops, Campbell soup labels, Our Family labels. We have a new company we work with for printer cartridges. If anyone knows any businesses that we can put a box with our flyers on to collect the cartridges please let us know and we will get one to you.

**Magazine Sales:** Cindy Lenhart and Karen Scherler

The magazine sale was a great success. Thank you to all the children and families that ordered magazines. You also can order on line. A flyer will be sent out with instructions.

**Family Fun:**

Gayle Gold has arranged a family fun night at Amazone. It will be October 16, 2005 between 5-9 p.m.

Cost is \$6.00 per person. A flyer will be sent home.

**Grounds Committee:** Anita Finucane and Diane Soldat

The compass rose will be installed Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. Grounds work days will be Oct. 11 and Oct. 13. Last day to order bricks is Friday.