

PTA General Membership Meeting ;Tuesday, September 13, 2011; 6:30PM

1. Call to order-6:35

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Acceptance of Minutes— minutes stand approved; Welcome back to Strawbridge School; Introduction of Officers to PTA

4. Acceptance of Treasurer's Report—Lisa Evans – explains report & new items – Target check in mail - \$606.00 – Try to remember tax exemption form, you should not be paying taxes. Use forms when requesting checks.

5. Correspondence—Melissa Dudlick – TYMichelle Dayton – Lunch, TV Strawb School Award – Kathleen Anderson, Alexander Daly

6. Principal's Report - Eileen Smith - Welcome back; head teachers – Mrs. Gonzales & Mrs. Mee & explanation of head teacher – Thank you -balloons ; Picture Day 9/19, BOE 9/15, BTSN 7/PM 9/20 Strawbridge– Resource teachers 6:30-7PM 2 sessions w/ meeting in middle; 9/23 – Franklin Institute; 9/30 Spirit Day, 10/1 School Fair; 10/10 off,10/11 Mon Schedule; ASK scores will be sent next week

7. Committee Reports:

A. Membership - Lindsey Peterson –Please try and return membership dues by end of week

B. Student Directory - Melissa Dudlick– Please encourage people to turn names into Melissa for directory

C. Fall Fair - Vicki Lex, Jen Osborne Advertising Flyer going out , Entertain– School of Rock to perform, mums will be sold day of fair

D. Fall Fair/Auction - Ellen Shuttleworth & Nellie Spencer - coming along well, have American Girl Doll & Disney Hooper Parks Pass , need baskets to wrap gifts, Could use more baskets ex: nerf guns, legos, etc –need volunteers to help set up baskets, if anyone would like to get wrapping baskets Wed 28th, Fri 30th – if any one has any stores they frequent - ask them to donate, anyone have anything they would like to donate no matter how small we can put them with other items to form 1 basket

E. Fall Fair/Food - Allison Howley & Melissa Dudlick - sent out requests for food donations from Wegmans, Super Fresh, Shop Rite – may need to ask for donations from people –confirmed with hoagie & pizza guy, sweet sale letter to go out - guessing jar – huge money maker – gave examples -

F. Fall Fair/Volunteers - Tami Hass sign up link will go through e-mail –sign up & will get reminder 2 days before fair – paper sheets will be sent out to new families & kindergarten parents, sign-ups for dunk tank & sponge bob toss , sent out info to high school & middle school asking for volunteers

G. Room Parent Coordinator - Tami Hass –have folders for room parents, -will be a sheet on doors for fall fair sign ups - please stress the importance to new parents

H. Art Reflections - Heather Tallman -permission forms came home today – sign to let us know your child is interested & receive more information – projects due 10/19– one of oldest programs in Nat'l PTA – theme – Diversity Means – try to talk to children about what diversity means without instructing them on what to do – new guidelines all of the work will be in Haddon Twp Library for month of Nov –those chosen to move on will be displayed in Markeim (Haddonfield) for county

I. Library - Heather Tallman & Michelle Lennox -open Wed Oct 5th , sent out e-mail for volunteers with date & times – great opportunity to be with the kids, - due 9/23– Library Birthday Book Club info sent out – way to donate new books for Library in honor of your child -due 10-/21 , will be sending out e-mail for parent volunteers to 9/19-, /9/21 – 12:30 – 3PM –few changes – move shelving for chapter books, cleaning up – offering incentive for everyone bringing book back – class incentives

J. Living History - Kristen Jandoli & Michelle Lennox - pick a broad topic students would like to learn about – will probably be 1 day this year – This year's topic will be Ellis Island – would like to do a trip to Ellis Island – bring us figures & we can talk about getting money

K. School Spirit - Geri Hollingsworth - need help explaining to kids what bullying is - will incorporate Character Counts – would like to get posters up before spirit day – can just wear red & white – a week in Oct where all the schools are focusing on HIB, - Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying,

L. Assemblies - Jennifer Ravelli Sept 23th – FraklinInst – Working on Anti- Bullying with Sarah Obrien for fall –; Ted Chew – children's poet, Walnut Street theater in Spring

8. Old Business Need 2 people to help HT concession stand 10AM Oct 8th – Denise ,Nov 25th -

A. Outreach/School Supplies - Lisa Bond -role to gather school supplies & other families in need can access privately - we currently have enough supplies ; would like to find ways to engage children in the outreach program – ex: food collection that coincides with Skate Night ;is there a way to include children in need in library birthday book club

Year Book – please send pictures within 2 weeks after event for

A. Zone PTA - Elaine Howley-Attended Zone PTA meeting – get together once a month with entire district PTA – Dr. Ravetiz – 4th & 5th grade music & chorus – back as district wide activity , middle school got back teachers & cross country program – HS- marching band bringing things back sparingly so not cut in future, Teachers & board had fact finding meeting last week & next one scheduled in October

B. PTA Budget vote during BTSN 9/20/11 - need 15 people to approve budget at BTSN

C. HTHS Copy Center - Elaine HowleySavings of using high school coy center – only charge 2 ½ cents – next best deal 5 cents – per sheet - even & color paper – lead time about 3 days –yellow sheet must be included

Future Events:Market Day Pick-up - Friday, 9/16 - 530PM;Picture Day - Monday, 9/19;Back to School Night - Tuesday, 9/20 - 7PM
Haddon Township Block Party - Sat, 9/24 Spirit Day - Fri, 9/23;Fall Fair - Saturday, 10/1 - 11AM-3PM;Scrip Orders Due, Mon 10/3

NEXT PTA MEETING - Tuesday, 10/11 - 6:30PM @ Strawbridge APR

Meeting Adjourned -7:45PM