

Liberty Bell PTA Meeting Minutes
October 11, 2012

Connie Mantz called meeting to order @ 9:18 am.

Board Members present: Connie Mantz, Shawn Kressler, Kim Adams & Amy Wilkins

Absentee Members: Denise Miller & Patricia Allen

Connie Mantz introduced herself and told the PTA members that she was filling in for Denise Miller. She then introduced Mr. Markley 2nd grade teacher.

Mr. Markley told the PTA that 16 teachers are doing a show called *Good Manners*. The admission to the show will be used to help raise money for the new play ground. The admission will be \$8 for adults and \$4 for children pre-sale and \$10 adults & \$4 children the night of the show. Mr. Markley is requesting help with publicity. Mrs. Yale has someone to help with posters. The goal is to sell 400 seats.

The 3rd grade Spring play will be *American Symbols*, which will be sometime in March.

Race for Education update - 1945 flyers were mailed out. Thanks to the many families that donated stamps. We only needed to pay for \$28 worth of stamps which came out of the PTA budget. Vickie Maund had drawing for the Stamp basket raffle. She had a very young lady pick the name....and the winner is: Isaac Pellegrino. Thank you again for all the stamp donations!

The Fall Festival is coming up on Friday, October 19th from 6 pm to 7:30 pm. Allison Ackerman reported that there have been

many donations of food and raffle baskets. We had 50 pre-sale wrist bands. New for the pumpkin decorating contest:

New categories:

Kindergarten/1st grade

2nd/3rd grade

Family

Lehigh Dairy is donating drinks. Kim Adams reported that she is still getting in touch with volunteers for food/bake sale donations.

Spirit Wear - Connie Mantz has 3 quotes and is waiting for 1 more. We are looking for ordering more youth smalls. The IS building contacted our PTA to see if there were would an interest in ordering with them, water bottles, drawstring bags and headbands. We voted as a PTA as to whether we want to share the order with the IS. It was a majority vote - YES. JoJo Cacace noted that there will be pre-orders so it will be known how much of each item will be ordered.

KidStuff books - \$2800 was collected. We sold 225 books, which was only 10 books less than last year. Thank you to Patti Spitzer for organizing and helping us with this fundraiser!

Directory is coming along and should be ready soon.

PTA Membership - \$110- was submitted. Allison Ackerman will send out another reminders.

Giant A+ - starts in October. Members must re-sign up each year. Ask grandparents and friends to sign up too.

Spirit Night- Chick-fil-A will be in January or February

Year Book - We still need a 3rd grade photographer.

Scholastic Book Fair- Diana Inglis and Kim Dum will co-chair. It will be held during conference week - Nov. 12 - 16th. More information to follow.

Spanish Immersion book sale will take place during the same week as Scholastic. Melinda Behrens is chairing the committee and need volunteers to work the sale and organize the books.

Apple Crunch Day - October 18th during lunch periods 11 am - 1 pm. Giant and Weiss each donated \$20 gift cards to us to purchase apples. We are planning on having the students sample yellow, green and red apples. We will need volunteers to core and slice apples and distribute to the students.

Mr. Hafner joined the meeting. He spoke about the upcoming Fire prevention week. The Coopersburg Fire Company will be present for an assembly.

Mr. Hafner thanked Megan Paugh and Vickie Maund and the rest of the Race for Education committee for their help on this fundraiser.

Parent Visitation Day is on Tuesday, October 23rd. Flyers to go out. Due to space, parents can not visit during lunch hours.

Halloween parade is on Friday, October 26 @ 2 pm. AM Kindergarten will have their parade in the morning in the hallway for the classes to see.

Veterans Day breakfast will be on November 9th. Students are encouraged to invite their loved ones who are Veterans.

Mr. Hafner reminded members to please use the cross-walk when entering the school @ pickup. It is dangerous to cut through the buses.

Mr. Hafner reported that we collected 3 large boxes worth of Tastekakes for the Marshall Plan.

SCRIP gift cards - Kim Adams reported that we are off to a decent start. She suggested members to try to get relatives and friends to order through the school. Liberty Bell gets a percentage of the sales through the gift cards. Orders go in on Tuesday with gift card available on Friday.

Box Tops - the first collection will be due on Friday.

Holiday Shoppe - Shawn Kressler reported that we still need vendors that are willing to sell items that are affordable for the students to purchase for family members. The Shoppe will be held on November 30th. Shawn is going to send out a letter looking for vendors. She has a few lined up to attend. It will cost the vendor \$15 to rent a space. They are responsible for bringing their own table.

Budget - Amy Wilkins reported on the budget in Patricia's absence.

Connie Mantz called the meeting adjourned @ 9:50 am. Next meeting will be November 8th.