

**NIXON SCHOOL PTA
MEETING MINUTES
October 6, 2009**

Call to Order: President Donna Mangano called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM and welcomed everyone. Correspondences were shared and passed. Minutes of the September 8, 2009 meeting were read and approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: None

Principal's Report:

- Mrs. Azar thanked the PTA for the great assemblies and the Fall Festival.
- Reminder that all upcoming events and the newsletter are posted online.
- 10/14 –Fire prevention assembly
- 10/13 25 select 4th graders will receive Pathways Mentor training to learn how to help students that have disabilities.
- Lake Hopatcong Rotary Club will present all 3rd graders with dictionaries.
- Key Club from Roxbury H.S. will soon be offering homework help to invited students from grades 3 and 4.
- 10/30 Halloween Parade 1:40pm. No masks or weapons please.
- Oct. 20-23 early dismissal due to parent conferences. 1:42 dismissal for grades 1-4. Kindergarten and Pre-K runs on regular schedule.

Guest Speakers:

- Eagle Scout Nick Cafaro was introduced and he discussed his project for the new Nixon sign and walkway. May need donations for transportation of sign. Children may be invited to vote on sign choices. Engraved pavers (to help raise funds) may be available.
- Student PTA Reporters from various classes and grades presented and reported on current activities from their classrooms.

Committee Reports:

Cultural Arts: Audra Sarafin reported the Slim Goodbody assembly on 9/30 was fun for all. Upcoming 11/24 Lights, Camera, Action assembly – students make television production. A holiday show is booked for 12/21. A 4th grade project coming in January.

BOE: Meeting last night 10/5. Late buses started today at LR, EMS, & HS. Next week Literacy Café workshop. Turf field going forward.

Family Nights: Dee Merring reported: Halloween Dance on 10/30 7-8:30. Looking for anyone who has decorations to donate. Roller-skating at Excel in Hackettstown on 11/4 6-8pm. 5\$ to skate. 3\$ rentals or bring your own. Pay at door – all welcome.

Directory: Directory is at printers, should be coming home soon.

Book Fair: Will be Oct. 19-23rd, during conference week. Also open late Tuesday night during evening conferences.

Reflections: Donna Mangano reported National PTA program theme is Beauty is...Kick off tomorrow in school. Packets going home w/ entry form and condensed rules. Full rules on website. All

students who participate will be able to attend the Principal's luncheon. Entries will be displayed at Ledgewood Mall 2nd week of March. 11/10 is the deadline to enter.

Nestle Go Play: They are no longer running the program. Do not send in labels.

Holiday Food Drive: Will begin in November-more info. coming soon.

Liason to Teachers: Volunteers needed in copy room T,Th & F afternoons. Contact Barbara Hartos if interested.

Old Business: none

New Business: none

Adjournment: President Mangano adjourned the meeting at 8:05 PM. Next meeting 11/10.