

HINSDALE CENTRAL PTO MEETING – May 19, 2008

Called to Order at 8:55

Secretary- The April minutes were approved

Treasurer – discussed budget; Budget was accepted. Money put aside for the Teacher Breakfast at the end of the Year will be used for the Library function in April

President – Lisa:

Election of Officers.: Motions made; slate accepted

Need volunteers for Summer Mailing

Arlene Adler and Linda Hazucka were the guests for the day

All American Read Week /Library Breakfast – Karen discussed that the library would like to continue all the programs and maybe have a few more next year.

Vice President/ Communication – working on the website. Thank you to Joni and Kay for all of their help. Joni Hollinger is doing website. Darla will maintain weekly emails.

Character Counts – Definitely a plus that Pam spoke about Character Counts at the 8th grade coffee. It is important to highlight all the wonderful assets of the school.

Teacher Appreciation – this will continue for next year. Lisa Stafford and Tina Caparo are ready for the challenge

Holiday Breakfast –No report

School Board Liaison: School Board is working on a plan; the board is going out to bid for a school architect. Communication is being redone on a District level; The district is discussing technology tonight. Also the two school do not want to be compared. This came out in the survey.

Safety & Bylaws: Need a committee for this committee. We need at least 2 more people. We feel that the Drop off video should also cover drop off on Grant.

Make A Difference: Laurita reported that the Make A Difference awards were being handed out on Wednesday, May 21, 2008 at the senior awards day.

Book Grant –Met first week of May; 32 applications; 22% came from website. Wednesday morning 26 grants will be given.

Need to revamp book grant. Yellow page in directory is not very effective. Possibly changing the position in the book is a possibility; The Committee will be including a list of online bookstores for the winners of the Grants; Annual review with guidance; will continue to solicit a book grant recipient to speak; Grants are based on financial need

Guidance: Carol Wroble and Elaine Moore on committee; published a report with Dr. Wahl; The first meeting of the new year should be regarding guidance and the submitted report; They will continue to maintain the Counselors by alphabet; They want to maintain an expertise in 175 schools; Continue to change things so that operating procedures are the same across the board. There will be a tickler system so that transcripts go out in a timely manner; More consistency; More scrutiny with Special Services and Guidance; More guidance with the incoming class so

that they are sure that they are on the right path for them. Testing of transfer students is also being discussed.

Newsletter – No reports

PEP – Parents Empowering Parents – May 22nd @6:30 Michael Smith

Social – 8th grade Coffee: 240 families attended; very successful

Publicity – No report;

Carol Wroble read a resolution for Distinguished Service for Robin Cyrier and Charmaine Crane. It listed their many contributions to the PTO and the School. It was entered into the record, this the 19th day of May 2008

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Mary Buddig, Secretary