

AVONA PTA OPEN MEETING MINUTES

October 21, 2004

In Attendance:

Cathy Smyth	Mrs. Meyers	Terri Young	Leslie Ziemba	Terry Gulick
Mr. Wright	Debbie Gryta	Diane Santo	Liz Hanni	Sheri Cawley
Michele Benes	Deborah James	Etta Sortino	Bill Smyth	
Connie O'Neill	Scott Border	Wendy Harrison		

Guests: Thien Pham, Jan Raso, Toniann Johnson, April Wolfe

Meeting called to order at 8:14 pm by Cathy Smyth, President

Approval of meeting minutes: September 16th Executive Board meeting minutes were approved as read

Correspondence: There was no correspondence at this time.

Treasurer's Report:	Balance on hand as of September 16, 2004:	\$3,162.76
	Income:	\$12,439.99
	Expenses:	\$9,526.21
	Balance on hand including check #1913:	\$6,076.54

President's report: Written report. She closed out the scarf sale, 52 sets of scarves were ordered @ \$3.00 a set. The PTA's cost per set was \$2.40 with a net income of \$30.20. Twelve sets were ordered for new students which came to \$28.80, leaving a balance of \$2.40 which was applied to shipping and handling. Compiled order for t-shirt sale & sent to Schwab. She attended the Chartwell's meeting. The paperwork for the PTA's incorporated status was sent to the state PTA. Reminder flyers were sent out for Octobers open PTA meeting. A compiled flyer was sent for several PTA functions and a thank-you for the great job on entertainment books.

Principal's Report: Mr. Wright had nothing to report

Committee Reports: Class Trips/ Assemblies: Written report. Stacy Izarek reported 2nd gr. went to Moravian College to see a latin musical and had a great time. 3rd gr. is set for Mariton Wildlife Sanctuary on October 26. Chaperones have been called. 1st gr. will be going to Mary Meuser Library on November 3. 4th gr. will be going to Wegman's on Nov. 1 & 8. Chaperones have been called. Weller Center trips have been scheduled and Stacy will get out the chaperone requests soon. Shawnee planetarium will be free this year yet because dates have been set before they started charging, Stacy will submit chaperone requests. 4th grade teachers have submitted ideas for class trip. Mr. Wright will be meeting with Mr. Greene and Ms. Lane to discuss their selections.

Communications/Publicity: Michele Benes had nothing to report.

Book Fair: Written report. Alison Merkt reported General Wright declared Wednesday Sep. 22 as Red, White & Blue day. Students were encouraged to wear those colors in honor of the theme Read, White & Blue. Hurricane Ivan flooding changed the date of Open House. Total income: \$3505.49, Scholastic expenses: \$2535.03, Net income: \$970.46. Twenty volunteers helped over 3 days, 40+ books were purchased from the teacher wish lists, Girl Scouts read, colored and wore costumes to help. Candy in Jar contest winners received a poster. Mrs. Grube, the school nurse, guessed the exact amount. A \$100 voucher was earned to use from the resource catalog. Miss Burns used past vouchers, suggestion to give this one to Mrs. Harron.

Faculty Snacks: Written report. Wendy Harrison and Terri Young submitted an inventory sheet for snacks. The expenses for Sept. / Oct. were \$249.26 and deposits were \$178.65.

Family Fun Nights: Written report. Terry Gulick reported that the book bingo is Friday Nov. 12th, from 6-8pm. Terry has scheduled a committee meeting for Wed. 11/27/2004. Books have been donated but Terry still needs more. Winners will receive a gift bag with school supplies, a Waldens Book gift certificate and a book. All students present will receive a parting gift. The fliers have been approved and will be sent home. The Gaming License has been purchased for \$10.00. There will also be a 50/50 drawing and door-prizes.

Fundraiser: Written report. Etta Sortino reported Entertainment books were sold for \$20.00 ea. A savings of \$10.00 over last years cost of \$30.00. Total deposits were \$7615.00, expenses \$3933.50 with a total income of \$3681.50. There were 356 Lehigh Valley books, 18 out of town, and 12 on-line with a total of 386 books sold.

Health and Safety: Written report. Cathy Smyth reported she purchased \$29.54 in snacks for health room. Underwear for the nurse's office was purchased for \$50.45. A flyer from the Weller Center regarding child abductions was sent home to each student. Scott Border has volunteered to take over this committee.

Holiday Shoppe: Diane Santo had nothing to report. See old business for the holiday gift vote.

Hospitality: Written report. Cathy Smyth reported that she provided snacks for the families program for a total cost of \$10.50. Water, cookies and juice were left over from open house. Total expenses to date are \$106.08.

Membership: Written report. Deborah James reported that total members as of 10/20/04 areas follows; Staff - 22, Parents -105. Membership increased 10% over 2003-2004. We increased male membership from 26 to 38.

Parent/student Representative: Liz Hanni had nothing to report

Room Mother: Leslie Ziemba had nothing to report

Read Across America: Tammy Harron and Miss Burns had nothing to report

School Spirit: Debbie Gryta had nothing to report.

School Store: Sheri Cawley had nothing to report

Science Fair: Leah Wright had nothing to report.

Special Programs: Written report. Dawn Purcell reported box tops winners were announced at the fire prevention assembly on October 8. Anyone bringing in 50 or more was rewarded with a certificate of appreciation and a coupon for either a free French fry or hamburger donated by McDonalds. The top contributor, Kianna Unangst, received a gift basket of Binney and Smith products and a few other items. The Crayola items for the basket were purchased last year and the other items were donated. Mrs. Golden's class brought in the most Box Tops and is entitled to an ice cream party. Mrs. Golden received a gift certificate donated by Don Pablos. Total this contest is \$376.70. The box Tops were mailed by the October 31st deadline along with the box tops collected at the end of last year. General Mills issues checks twice during the school year, December 15th and May 15th. We should be receiving a check for \$658.10. The cost of mailing is \$9.05. Parents were sent home a flyer explaining Box Tops Booster Marketplace. The PTA has 8,428 Campbells Labels banked.

Web Site: Bill Smyth had nothing to report.

Yearbook: Karen Stahl had nothing to report.

Old Business: Student Christmas gift was voted on and is a surprise. Reminder meeting date change to December 2nd. Asked anyone interested in 76er's basketball game to please contact Cathy Smyth.

New Business: Volunteers needed for District Wide Open House. Volunteers need for Health Advisory Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 8:33pm.

Minutes submitted by Janet Border, Secretary on November 22, 2004.