

Avona PTA Executive Board Meeting Minutes
December 1st, 2005

In Attendance: Cathy Smyth Etta Sortino Deborah James Jan Raso
 Liz Hanni Dawn Purcell Leah Wright Mr. Wright
 Toni Johnson Mrs. Meyers Leslie Ziemba Liz Kozemchak

Meeting called to order: 7:04 pm by Cathy Smyth

Approval of meeting minutes: October 20th were approved with the amendment of Leah Wright and Dawn Purcell were both in attendance of the meeting.

Correspondence: Thank-you notes from Mrs. Wilson's class for the Hootenanny.

Treasurer's Report:

Balance as of October 20 th , 2005	\$3,881.34
Total Income:	\$14,904.36
Total Expenses:	\$11,141.19
Balance as of Dec. 1 st , 2005, including check #2108	\$7,644.51

President's Report: Cathy Smyth has been working on the after school program for crafts to be sent home soon for crafts. Puppetry club is in progress and going well.

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

Committee Reports: Class Trips/Assemblies: Stacy Izarek was not present but working on booking all trips.

Communications/Publicity: Bill Smyth was not present but the next newsletter will be going out next Friday. If anybody has anything to give, please submit it to Bill.

Book Fair: Cathy Smyth received \$100 product voucher for rebooking with Scholastic for next year.

Faculty Snacks: The machine was restocked with candy and water is needed to purchase.

Family Fun Night: Terry Gulick submitted a report that the book bingo was held on Friday, November 11th. Her budget was \$200; she spent \$159.39 on books, gifts, and other miscellaneous necessities. The PTA received \$200 in free books from Scholastic. Every student received a book and parting gift at the end of the night. 45 students were present. Terry had plenty of helpers and everything went smoothly. The movie for movie night will be The Polar Express.

Fundraising: Etta Sortino reported that the fall fundraiser went well, and the total income was \$13,117.75. Total expenses were \$7,714.47 with a profit of \$5,403.28. The pig race will be Friday morning at 9:30.

Health and Safety: Scott Border was not present, but the Mitten Tree flyer is going out on December 2nd.

Holiday Shop: Toni Johnson reported she needs more volunteers for holiday shop. The Christmas present for the students will be drawstring sports bags with the new Avona logo on them.

Hospitality: Cathy Smyth had nothing to report.

Membership: Debra James reported that there are a total of 152 members with 131 parents and 21 faculty members. The four classes who won the ice cream party are K-AM, 2-Golden, 4-Babp and 4-Wilson.

Room Mother: Leslie Ziembra reported that she needs volunteers for the winter festival which will be held December 23rd from 2 to 3 pm. She will be asking parents to supply snacks and paper products.

Read Across America: Tammy Harron was not present but there was nothing to report.

School Spirit: Over 70 items were ordered for the sportswear sale. Net income currently is \$58 but there are still some items left over to be sold at some of the family events. Craft club is on its way after school on Tuesday's. Two teams were created because of the large turnout. Each team will come once per month.

School Store: Sheri Cawley was not present and had nothing to report.

Science Fair: Leah Wright had nothing to report.

Special Programs: Dawn Purcell reported that she sent a flier home to remind parents to send in General Mills whole grain symbol from the cereal boxes.

Website: Bill Smyth was not present but suggested that the PTA spend \$8.00 annually for parents to be able to just type in www.avonapta.org in order to get to our website. Etta Sorting made the motion to not spend more than \$8.00 seconded by Dawn Purcell.

Yearbook: Karen Stahl was not present and nothing to report.

Old Business: Cathy said a By-Law and Standing Rules committee has to be set up soon because the by-laws expire in April.

New Business: A bank savings CD was ear marked for future use of putting in a playground at Avona. The CD is maturing and is valued just over \$1,000. It was discussed that there is not room to build a playground at Avona so a motion was made by Leah Wright seconded by Liz Hanni to cash in the CD and use the money for the Potter Program for the Art Teacher.

Meeting adjourned: 8:15 pm by Cathy Smyth.