

# AVONA PTA OPEN MEETING MINUTES

## January 11, 2007

**In Attendance:** Toniann Johnson    Liz Hanni    Mr. Wright    Jan Raso  
Wendy Fischer    Corinne Marsh    Liz Kozemchak    Carmela Hallett  
Terry Gulick    Mrs. Meyers    Wendy Harrison    Wendi Dougherty  
Dawn Purcell    Teri Young    Marion Deemer    Leah Wright  
Connie O'Neill    Stacy Izarek

**Meeting called to order:** 7:08 pm by Toniann Johnson, President

**Approval of meeting minutes:** November 9 meeting minutes were approved. Motion made by Stacy Izarek, seconded by Carmela Hallett.

**Correspondence:** Correspondence was received from Christmas City Studio with a check for our percentage from picture sales in 2005 and 2006. A letter was received from the President of Wilson Area Educational Support Personnel with a donation check for \$50.

<b>Treasurer's Report:</b>	Balance on hand as of November 9, 2006	\$ 7,306.27
	Income	\$14,487.19
	Expenses	\$12,326.41
	Balance on hand as of January 11, 2007 including Check #2269	\$ 9,467.05

**President's Report:** Toni reported that the Math Club is going well. Volunteers are needed to provide snacks. Copy paper has been ordered from the Administration building.

**Principal's Report:** Mr. Wright reported that we will again be offering summer vacation activity packages. The price has been reduced to \$19.95. Information will be sent home in April. Grades 3, 4 and 5 are having 4-sight assessments in preparation for PSSA's. Results are only for the teacher's information to help the children in the areas that they may need help. Mr. Doug Wagner will be speaking at the next PTA meeting. He will discuss Internet safety and what we as parents can do to make sure our children are safe.

### Committee Reports:

**Book Fair:** Michelle Kraemer was not present. Toni reported that we will not have a Buy 1 Get 1 free sale at our spring book fair because they only offer it in May. Due to scheduling conflicts, we will be having book fair in April. A discount will be applied to each book purchased.

**Communications/Web Site:** Carmela Hallett reported that the school directory is complete and being proofread. A newsletter is to go out in January. A motion was made by Stacy Izarek to renew the domain name for our website. Motion seconded by Carmela Hallett. All were in favor.

**Class Trips & Assemblies:** Stacy Izarek reported that 4<sup>th</sup> grade will be going to Harrisburg on May 11<sup>th</sup>. 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be going to Philadelphia and Kindergarten will be going to Klein Farm. Suggestions for assemblies are needed.

4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade trips are taken on charter buses. This years classes are large, and with chaperones there are not enough seats on the bus. Alternative options were discussed and will be looked into.

**Faculty Snacks:** Wendy Harrison reported that she has received a few suggestions, and everything is going well.

**Family Fun Nights:** Terry Gulick reported that Book Bingo was held on Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. The budget was \$166.00. \$100.66 was spent on gift cards, door prizes, parting gifts, gift bags and a gaming license. \$100 worth of free books from Scholastic were used. There was a profit of \$37.00 from the 50/50 drawing. The total expense was \$63.66. 48 Avona students attended along with 5 friends and 3 teachers. The kids had a really good time.

Game Night will be held on 1/12 from 6 to 8 pm.

Movie Night had an income of \$140.25. \$39.00 of sportswear and \$46.39 in snacks were sold.

**Fundraising:** Liz Kozemchak reported that Keystone sales were \$9,405.00. We paid Keystone \$4969.17 for a profit of \$4435.83. Chocolates on Broadway kickoff will be on January 29<sup>th</sup>. Some possible future fundraisers were discussed. Little Caesars Pizza and customized beach towels with the Avona logo. The towels sell for \$16 and we make \$5 on each towel.

**Health & Safety:** The mitten tree program was a success. 27 hats, 9 scarves, 55 pairs of gloves/mittens and 3 hat/glove sets were collected and delivered to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Alliance.

**Holiday Shoppe:** Toni Johnson reported that the Holiday Shoppe went well although more volunteers are needed in the future. The total income was \$2,992.80. \$2,858.06 was paid to Gifts & Things for a profit of \$134.74. It was suggested that we consider holding Holiday Shoppe at night so that parents can have some control over what their children purchase.

Holiday Gifts for students were purchased from Crayola for \$1,105.16.

**Hospitality:** Corinne Marsh had nothing to report.

**Membership:** Deborah James was not present. Toni Johnson reported that we received a State of PA certificate for having a majority of teachers participate and having more than 50% of the parents join.

**Parent/Student Representative:** Liz Hanni had nothing to report.

**Room Mother:** Leah Wright reported that the Winter Festival went well. She needs suggestions for an assembly for Last Day.

**Read Across America:** Tammy Harron was not present. She is looking for a person to co-chair this committee with her. Read Across America day is Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup>.

**School Spirit:** Toni Johnson reported that the 5<sup>th</sup> grade t-shirts will be ordered in April. She is checking into Avona hats and other products. Wendi Dougherty will be changing the window decorations next week.

**School Store:** Wendy Fischer reported that everything is going well and she is always looking for suggestions on what items she should order.

**Science Fair:** Nothing to report.

**Special Programs:** Dawn Purcell reported that we will be receiving a check for \$883.58 from Boxtops for Education. The deadline for the next contest is February 9<sup>th</sup>. An assembly will be held at the end of February or beginning of March. We ordered recess equipment with Campbell's points and have 6,523 points remaining. Redner's Save-A-Tapes and Tyson A+ labels are also still being collected.

**Yearbook:** Jan Raso reported that yearbook order forms went out. The 5<sup>th</sup> graders will receive free yearbooks.

**Old Business:** There was no old business.

**New Business:** We will be collecting money for the sunshine fund at future meetings. A discussion was held regarding the folders that the students receive at the beginning of the year. In the past, we gave students a folder for the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the year. This year we do not have enough folders, and it is not in the budget to order more. It was decided that the students will not receive a second folder this year.

Toni reminded everyone that puts papers for students to take home in the teacher's mailboxes, to make sure they are putting in the correct number so that there is one for each student. Also remember to put papers for things like yearbook orders, fundraisers, etc. in the special teachers mailboxes.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:15 by Toniann Johnson, President

Minutes Approved: Liz Hanni, Secretary