

**Minutes of the Southeast PTO**  
**May 5, 2008**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:00PM

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Norma Fisher-Doiron, Monique Brown, Kim O'Keefe, Dave Delaney, Andrea Lennon, Kimberly Christenson, Lesley Sweeney, Karen Sommer, Patti Jajliardo, Julie Brown

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Kim O'Keefe**

The Luau dance was WONDERFUL! Over 100 attended.

Award for 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent: There are so many that volunteer their efforts that it is a daunting task to choose just one. We choose a parent that is leaving (last child graduating). It is a parent that went beyond "the call of duty". We have a plaque and make an announcement at the Moving On ceremony. We have their name put on the plaque. Kim reviewed the efforts of two people. One was chosen.

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: Norma Fisher Doiron**

Parent's Hour: Marie Leibman "Healthy Friendships and Positive Social Skills"

Class sizes and staffing the same as last time

On May 13<sup>th</sup> @ 7 PM there is a town meeting to vote on the budget. A lot is being cut from our proposed budget. It may end up going to a referendum. There is a talk of making one elementary school as opposed to 3 is we propose renovating. This would end our current "neighborhood school" set up. You need to voice your opinions. Norma doesn't have a stance but encourages everyone to stay informed. We should get the word out.

Funds for the eco-mural we voted on last meeting. The paint and materials ended up being donated.

A special thank you to the group Incaswasi for an outstanding day! Norma passed around CDs and their flyer. They taught the children about their culture.

Special Persons Days this week. There will be different days for different the different grade levels. Refreshments will be offered.

Receptacles and benches have arrived for the playscape but still need to be installed. The town is covering installation.

**TEACHER'S REPORT: Monique Brown**

Mileage For Moms an Distance For Dads are the Wednesdays after Mother's and Father's days.

THANK YOU to the Castle family for all the water bottles they have donated to our schools events!

**SECRETARY'S REPORT: Monique Brown**

April's minutes were reviewed.

Motion for acceptance with edits by: Kim O'Keefe

2<sup>nd</sup>: Karen Sommer

All in Favor

**TREASURER'S REPORT: Lesley Sweeney**

Lesley reviewed the treasurer's report.

**Highlights:**

Raised 15,353 so far this year

Not much was earned on summer bulbs. The Luau dance cost \$590. Incaswasi cost \$1050. There was a question about how to process Stories for Southeast expenditures. It is \$200 every year but some of the money is reimbursed as parents buy books for people. The checking account was at \$23,084.40 at the end of April.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report:

Seconded by:

**All in Favor**

**FUNDRAISING REPORT: Kimberly Christenson**

Next year the following have agreed to lead these fundraisers:

Julie Brown – Tag Sale & games for carnival

Karen Sommer Munsons, Butterbraids, Cookie Dough

Wendy Guyette – Miscellaneous

Linda Sydie – Banking and Stories for Southeast

Kimberly Clark – Scrip program

Kim Ewalt – Wrapping paper, Moving On

Richelle Strimple – Fall and Spring Bulbs

Lynette – Intermittent events

Heather Spottiwoode – Wrapping paper

Margaret Morrison – Silent Auction

Kimberly Clark – Silent Auction, Fall Book Fair, Box Tops, Emergency Early Closing Tree

Karen Mitlitsky – Fall Carnival Food Booth

Kim O'Keefe – Ice Cream Social, Sunshine Fund

Mileage for Moms/Distance for Dads – Monique Brown

Patti Jajliardo – Intermittent help, Avon fundraiser

**Open Positions:**

School Photography (Steve Brimmer), Teacher Appreciation Day, Southeast Ice Skating Event, Glow in the Dark Fundraiser, Spring Book Fair (Scholastic), Kid Card Fundraiser with Cheryl Hathway, Election Day Bake Sale

**OTHER:**

DANCE: Well attended. Lots of fun!

Ice Cream Social June 6<sup>th</sup>: 6 – 8PM Maureen from food services needs to be there.

Moving On Ceremony is June 17<sup>th</sup>.

We give an E O Smith scholarship to someone who came through Southeast. Need to decide on the recipient.

Library asked if we want to renew Peobody Pass? It was decided to table this until June's meeting.

Book Bag gift to Kindergarteners from Library fell by the wayside this year. Need to look into this.

Julie Brown reposted on the tag sale plans: It is 8 – 2 PM (not 1PM as before) Last Saturday they packed a truck full of stuff for the sale from the leftovers at the Montessori sale. Julie made wonderful tag sale signs! They are short help from 2 – 4 for clean up. 6 tables have been rented so far.

We need to recruit parents for the PTO at Open House. There should be a sheet to sign up for email communication. There should also be a list of PTO events as well as a sign up for volunteers. Information should be out that advertises the events that benefit the school. Advertise free childcare and pizza at PTO meetings.

Officers for next year:

Lesley Sweeney – Treasurer

Kimberly O'Keefe – President

Monique Brown – Secretary

Andrea Lennon – Vice President

Looking for co-president and co-treasurer to “shadow” the roles.

Should a separate plea go out for volunteers via email?

Motion to adjourn: Kimberly O'Keefe

Motion seconded by: Andrea Lennon

**MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:16PM  
RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED BY: MONIQUE M. BROWN  
NEXT MEETING: June 2, 2008**