G.A.P.S.

Grimshaw Association of Parents and Staff

Minutes January 9, 2012

Third meeting of the 2011 – 2012 School year.

Welcome:

Kerry Evans

Pocono Candle sale:

Chaired by Jennifer Jackowski.

Jennifer was unable to attend this meeting. Kerry spoke for her.

Sold fewer candles than last year.

At a total profit of $2910, we had a slight decline in sales of-$300

Top two sellers earned pizza parties for their classes.

Top 7 sellers each received $10 Target gift cards.

Treasurers Report:

$16,397.00 in acct currently.

$10K is our estimated surplus.

Requests for funding:

Request 2nd grade learning clocks. $385 / don’t have enough and ones have are in disrepair.

Request for laminator rolls from Greg Bump $200.00 (saves us having to go to BOCES for lamination services.)

Request from Optimists to participate in Chili cook-off and provide gift card for silent auction.

Request from Christina Shute on behalf of room parents to provide bulk ingredients for 100 day project $150 per grade level for trail mix

All requests voted on and approved later in the meeting.

Fresh Fruit Friday:

Chaired by Nancy Redmore

Through an email communicated by the officers, Nancy asked for the program to be expanded back to the original concept of “Smart Snacks.”

Majority agreed to allow the program to expand, within the budget, at Nancy’s discretion.

Box tops and Labels for Education:

Coordinator: Erin Verniche

Actively collecting.

We will be procuring or making 7 charts so students can visually see progress (maybe from Scholastic.)

Please keep them clean and neat as possible.

Please continue to send them in to your class.

TOPS Markets is offering 50 bonus box tops for purchasing 8 boxes of selected cereal.

Future events:

Family Fun Night(s):

Coordinator: Erin Verniche

First night is March 23rd.

Up to grade 3 welcome.

Small damage to “Ned’s head” game will require a couple of dollars to fix.

Game where kids try to eat hanging donuts to be introduced.

4th 5th and 6th is a movie night

(Last year, total budget was $400. We are expecting to come in way under this amount.)

Gertrude hawk:

Coordinator: Melissa Abend

Sale dates will run February 6th - 27th sale dates.

Delivery will be March 23rd.

Administrative report:

AED

Greg Bump demonstrated ease of use of the school’s AED

NY State requires 1 in every public.

So far this school year, unit has been deployed 2x on staff members.

When case is open silent alarm is sent to Sonitrol.

Use of AED severely increases survival rates.

“Odyssey of the Mind”

Odyssey of the mind, previously called Olympics of the mind.

Regional, State and World competition levels.

Enrichment opportunity

Skaneateles has a large team.

Primary k-2 (do not compete against eachother

Div 1 is k-5

Div 2 is 6th grade

5 types of problems. Kids get to compete

Wants to take a group to Binghamton March 10. We would need advisors.

Plan for this for 2012-2013 school year

Advisor does not have to be a GAPS person. Advisor would need to fill out “application”

Looking to have GAPS pay fees

Greg is inviting GAPS members to travel to Binghamton on March 10th to see the program.