



SANDWICH CENTRAL SCHOOL PTO Newsletter

February 6, 2006

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Present: Joanne Bickford, April Brackett, Lois Brady, Justin Chapman, Wendy Chappuis, Kelly Cox, Sally Cunningham, Diane Decker-Booty, Lobin Frizzell, John Hansen, Juli Hird, Chris Little, Heather Littlefield, Michelle Martin, Jennifer Petitti

Meeting called to order, all welcomed. Thanks extended to all those who contributed time and baked goods to the Sandwich Winter Carnival.

Treasurer's Report: after meeting all anticipated expenses by year's end, the PTO should have about \$2,000 remaining to roll over to next year.

The Sled Dog Races and Spaghetti Supper: we are assuming the race will be cancelled due to lack of snow, so there will be no spaghetti supper this year. Please note that the race has not been officially cancelled!

Reach The Beach: discussion about pros and cons of continuing with this fundraiser included the current lack of a chairperson to oversee operation of the Sandwich Transition area; the large effort expended by volunteers with relatively little return and ways to redirect PTO focus to make this a better fundraiser. Wendy Chappuis suggested that a chairperson is key. It was moved by Michelle Martin that we advertise via the Sandwich Board and the Sandwich newspaper columns for a chair; seconded by Wendy Chappuis. If we are unable to find a chair it is likely that the PTO will withdraw from this fundraiser.

Update on transition to multi age configuration for next year. There will definitely be a reduction in force (RIF) district wide for next year with two positions being eliminated from SCS. No further decisions have yet been made by the Administrative Team headed by Dr. McCormack. The deadline for these decisions is mid-April.

Boston Museum of Science Trip: the PTO will be providing snacks and water for the bus ride to Boston.

Upcoming Events: Cabin Fever Dance – to be announced. Chess Club – Wendy Chappuis will follow up with Tim Muskat.

Other Business: Report cards – suggestions were made regarding language and the set up of the new report card system.

Next Meeting: Monday, March 20, 2006
2:45 p.m. in the SCS Library

Respectfully submitted by Lobin Frizzell for Alex Adriance

FURTHER NOTE: Although this was not discussed at the meeting, there will be elections for PTO Officers near the end of the school year. If you would like the opportunity to work with an excellent group of dedicated parents and teachers, please contact either Kelly Cox (284-6188) or Sally Cunningham (284-7342).