

PETERS TOWNSHIP AREA COUNCIL PTA MINUTES REGULAR MEETING, February 15 and 22, 2007

Call to Order: The February 15, 2007 meeting of the Peters Township Area Council PTA, Inc. was called to order at 11:17AM at the ESF building. President Sue Smith led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. Due to inclement weather and the lack of attendees, the meeting was recessed until 9:27AM on February 22, 2007. President Sue Smith presided and Secretary Sue Clark recorded the minutes.

President's Report: Sue Smith passed around a folder containing information for attendees to review. The public library is offering a class on "operation Safe Surf". Taste of the Township will be held on April 27. The school picture contract with Spellman Studios was signed and sent back to Spellman. The State PTA convention will be held on April 13-15. The Pennsylvania PTA districts have been reorganized. Peters Township is now part of Region 4.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the January 25, 2007 meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Mary Sternweis was not present. Karen Bovalina presented the treasurer's report. No bills were paid last month.

Unit Reports:

Lisa Anderson (Pleasant Valley): At the end of each 9-weeks, they sponsor a giving day. This time they collected needed clothes for their adopted school in New Orleans. Donuts for Dads went well. After each PTA event they send out a survey which nets valuable information concerning what worked and what needs to be improved.

Karen Bovalina (Bower Hill): Family fun and Fitness night went very well. There were many changes this year that were well received.

Jodi Hannah (McMurray): The officer nominating committee was formed this month. The slate of officers will be presented at the March meeting. Fourth grade movie night was well attended. 5th grade movie night will be coming soon.

Carolyn Bukovich (Middle School): Teacher appreciation brunch was well received and appreciated. Don McElhany gave an "I Safe" presentation on internet safety. The 8th graders met with the guidance councilors regarding classes for next year at the high school. The Middle School dance and faculty basketball game are coming up soon. There will be a brunch with the principals after the March PTA meeting.

Dawn Pustay (High School): The department facilitator meeting for 8th grade parents was very well received. They are looking into e-mailing the PTA newsletter rather than mailing it.

Committee Reports:

School Pictures – Michele Bittel: She will have next year's picture days by the next meeting.

Membership – Linda Jewison: The final Membership money is due to the State PTA by March 1st.

School Board – Diane Ritter: Policy 1312 outlines what people can or cannot say at a school board meeting. This policy is available on the website. Middle school and Bower Hill construction projects are both going well and are on schedule. There is still no report presented by the administration to the board concerning the air quality at the high school pool. The education committee has approved all of the curriculum proposals. SAT prep course will be offered after school, the cost will be borne by the students. World languages will be offered in grades 1-12. Flex will be taught in the 6th grade. The resolution for the May ballot was passed. There still has been no calendar presented to the board by the administration for the 2007-08 school year.

Reflections – Linda VanNewkirk Peters Township students placed in 31 out of 77 possible spots at the district level.

Directory – Marcia McCracken: We still need a directory chair person for next year.

Unfinished Business: Lynn Logelin has contacted the building principals regarding their Act 33/34 clearance procedures.

New Business: An officer nominating committee will be formed next month.

We will look into changing the by-laws to change the meeting date to the Thursday following the School Board meeting.

March's meeting will be changed from the 15th to the 22nd.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:01 PM.

In attendance on February 15th were: Sue Clark, Linda VanNewkirk, Jodi Hannah, Debbie Smith, Carolyn Bukovich, Sheril Wilson, Sue Ralston, Linda Jewison and Sue Smith. In attendance on February 22nd were: Sue Clark, Karen Bovalina, Linda VanNewkirk, Sheril Wilson, Patty Hartenbach, Debbie Meadows, Marcia McCracken, Diane Ritter, Carol Aurin, Carolyn Bukovich, Dawn Pustay, Michele Bittel, Lisa Anderson.

Submitted by _____ Date Approved: _____
Sue Clark, Secretary

Minutes approved: