



**Harwinton Consolidated School**  
**PTA Meeting**  
**January 16, 2008**

Meeting started at 7:05  
15 members present

Meeting called to order and minutes read  
No Changes to minutes. Stand approved. Linda Surveski motioned. Patty Onofrio seconded.

**Principal's Report – Megan Mazzei**

New Superintendent started Monday, January 14, 2008. Main goal is get a handle on who everyone is and what we do here.

4<sup>th</sup> grade chorus had Holiday concert in December. Band has now started.

CMT testing begins 1<sup>st</sup> week of March. Practice test will be last week of February.

Teachers are teaching test-taking strategies. Trying to keep a positive focus. CMT Pep Rally on the Friday before the CMT's.

Megan asked for Smart Food to give out during Pep Rally. Cost will be \$50 - \$75. Adrianna Costa-Brown made a motion and Tracy LeSure seconded. Motioned approved.

**President's Report – Liz Cornish**

Adopt – A – Soldier was a huge success. 12 huge boxes were sent. Pia Ciccone from Prudential Realty paid for all of the shipping. A card from Lieutenant Commander Wilbur thanking the school and the children.

**Treasurer's Report – Janet Gaudiana**

New Account from PTA preschool playground 1597.93 in savings and \$100 in checking.

**Committee Reports**

**Board of Ed – Liz Cornish**

Meeting cancelled.

**Enrichment – Linda Surveski**

Pre-K had Sessions Woods come in January 16, 2008. Program was free.

February 5<sup>th</sup> T-Bone coming for Pre-school.

Ron Sadecki came in to speak to 4<sup>th</sup> grade about electricity. Program was awesome.

Enrichment will be paying for I Love To Read Month Mystery Guest

2/7 Phyllis Jones is bringing in a Healthy Choice program. Parents are welcomed to come to this. Health Awareness week will be that week: Mon will be Karate, Tues. will be a walk, Wed. is picnic, Thurs is adventure course before school and 10 at 10:00. Notice will be going home.

**Fundraiser – Eileen Palladino and Janet Guadiana**

Signed contract with same company from last year.

**Holiday Shopping – Melanie Joseph**

Great success. Not as busy as last year. \$934 less than last year. Need to look at having it not on a half day and not have it during conferences. Lot of merchandise is left for next year.

Huge thanks to everyone who helped out.

**Fall Book Fair – Kathleen Keegan**

Book Fair went well.

**Fourth Grade Activities – Michelle Huydic**

In the works.

**BINGO – Michelle Huydic**

Bingo night has been changed to 2/29 with Snow Date of 3/14.

**Box Tops – Liz Cornish**

Well over were we were last year. Kids are very excited about it.

**Teachers Book Room – Liz Cornish**

Book room is up and running, has been staffed with volunteers. Thank You  
New book room for upper grades is being staffed by teachers.

**I Love To Read Month – Liz Cornish**

Kim O'Reagan is looking for help for the month of February.

**Learning Fair – Anne DiSorbo**

Taking over from Elizabeth Boland.

**Thanksgiving Baskets – Liz Cornish**

People were able to put together 18 baskets.

**Book Room – Liz Cornish**

Heather Eagan will take over this year.

**Spanish Recital – Liz Cornish**

3<sup>rd</sup> grade was in December. 4<sup>th</sup> grade will be in the Spring.

### **Tools For Schools – Eileen Palladino**

Ended for the year. We came in 3<sup>rd</sup> for our district and almost won a prize. Megan will be picking what we need.

### **Rock Cats Baseball – Patty Onofrio**

Need to choose a date. We will try Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup> for Family Fun Day.

### **Old Business**

- Pictures – still playing phone tag.
- Notes to School were ordered and are for sale in the office for \$1.00.

### **New Business**

- Region 10 has hired a new communication specialist, Alexis Maislen.
- Sue Sadowski gave Liz info on a recycling fundraiser. Table this until next meeting because the high school has a recycling club and they might pick that up.
- Cookbook with healthy recipes and helpful recipes. Proceeds will go toward funding the preschool playscape. Recipes will come from HCS, Lake Garda, and Har-Bur.
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade activities – will we continue to pay for 4<sup>th</sup> grade yearbooks, T-shirts, Pizza party, and water. Yes.
- Tracy LeSure- proposing a Speed Stacker Club. Not proposing the PTA to pay for any of it. Wants to have it after school with 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Once a week for 10 – 12 weeks. It will not be a fundraiser. Great for non-sports children, helps with hand-eye coordination. Motion made by Tanya Biggs, seconded by Tina Magill.

**Popcorn Party was won by Mrs. Garry's class for most parents in attendance at tonight's PTA meeting!**

### **Adjournment**

8:05

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Geissler