



**ISLAND CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (ICES)
PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION**

MEETING MINUTES – APRIL 5, 2011

Call to Order and Welcome

PTA President Jane Horowitz welcomed those in attendance and called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Principal's Remarks

Dr. Owner reported that:

- Artists and Authors Day would take place on Thursday, April 7th from 9:00 – 10:00 AM. She thanked parents who helped to put up displays and reported that, through the book project, every student in the school is now a published author.
- Funds are being collected to assist victims in Japan. This is being organized by the SCAs in the Hayfield Pyramid.
- A Leadership Council was organized this year and is being lead by Mr. Gross and Mrs. Connell. Topics shared with participants have included leadership skills, public speaking and non-verbal communications. The goal is to prepare participants in a variety of ways, including fostering the necessary self-confidence that will enable them to become leaders in secondary school.

Dr. Owner concluded her report by introducing members of the 6th grade team and commending them for having the skills and fortitude needed to meet the unique needs of 6th grade.

Minutes

Secretary Pam Haberstroh presented the Minutes of the meeting held on March 1, 2011. Upon **Motion** duly made, **Seconded** and unanimously **Approved**, the Minutes of this meeting were accepted as presented.

Financial Updates

Treasurer Jane Kelley reported that the Spirit Night at Delia's raised \$125 and that another check in the amount of \$248.22 was received from the Combined Federal Campaign. It was also announced that requests for stipends will soon be coming in, along with other expenses, over the next few months, including \$75 that will go to Hayfield High School for the all night graduation party.

The report was concluded with an announcement that a possible alternative to Sally Foster is being explored for a fall fundraiser. More information will be shared as it becomes available.

Spirit Nights

It was announced that 10% of all proceeds from the day of April 26th at Lucky's will be given to the PTA. In addition, \$678 was raised at Spirit Nights held at Silver Diner. Spirit Night(s) in May could take place at Firehouse Subs and Noodles & Company.

Peeps Contest

In information on this project that will go out in an upcoming Thursday folder it will be explained that this contest will allow students to submit dioramas of children's stories using Peeps. Entries will be due the week following Spring Break and there is a chance that the Washington Post will include photos of entries.

Croc Trot

The following was reported:

- Sponsors are needed. The cut-off date for sponsors is April 18th. Others can be added later, if necessary but they will likely not appear on the tee shirts.
- The course will be similar to last year.
- PTA volunteers are needed to help and also to provide food and beverages.

Open Board Positions

It was announced that all Board officer positions are open for next year. Anyone interested in serving as President, Vice President, Treasurer or Secretary is encouraged to let one of the current officers know immediately.

Adjournment/Next Meeting

Prior to a presentation from Brad Center, Vice Chairman and Lee District School Board Member, the business portion of the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM. The next meeting of the PTA will be held on May 3, 2011.