

Jefferson PTO Meeting

Minutes – Tuesday October 13, 7pm

***Officers Present: Lisa Koveleski, Christy Malone, Kristy Pegarella, Cathy Karen Motyka and Cathy**

***Also Present were Mr. Gifford, Mr. Thompson and Mrs. Barner**

*Mr. Gifford started the meeting talking about the upcoming NYS Social Studies test which will be given Nov. 16 & 17

*The D.A.R.E. program will once again be offered to all 5th graders by Officer Patty Mahar. She will be attending the next PTO meeting to explain the program.

*Mr. Gifford talked about the Voting Booth that Jefferson will have on Election Day. This should be very exciting for the kids.

*Jefferson has hired some extra nursing support. Jennifer Shadick will be working in the Nurses Office M-F from 11:30 – 1:30.

*A Halloween Letter will be going home explaining this year's parade. In the event of rain there will be two separate parades indoors. Also there will be alternate activities available for those who do not want to participate.

*Mr. Thompson mentioned some upcoming activities and assemblies planned for the kids. George Steele will be visiting every grade. There will be a "Show of Love Assembly" that is in a game show format and focuses on Character Education. Karen Beil, a local author, will also be visiting and conducting writing workshops for the children.

*Lisa and Christie recapped the September events such as the Bookfair, Open House, Bake Sale, and Car Wash. Thank you to all the volunteers.

*Upcoming events were discussed : Memory Books, Homecoming, School Pictures, T-Shirt Sale.

*Lisa mentioned the Memory Book sale will be extended. She also wanted to thank Kristi Pegarella for a fantastic job on the Student Directory!!!!

*Homecoming: for every Jefferson child that visits our booth and signs the sheet, the names / grades will be tallied and the one with the most will get a special prize for the class.

*Kristi P. talked about the Fundraiser and the pick up date of Nov. 12.

*Jenny Hill talked about a new Sunny Delight promotion we are involved in where for every cap we collect, they will give our school a book. More details to follow on that.

*Lisa passed around a sign up sheet for people to help by bringing bake sale items to sell during the Craft Fair.

*Carol Walker talked about Labels for Education. We need to let parents know how much of the label needs to be sent back to school.

*Preschool Story Hour will again be offered on Tuesdays 10 a.m. on 11/10, 11/17, 11/24, 12/1.

*Mrs.Barner (teacher rep) mentioned how much she and all the teachers appreciate the parent involvement and the PTO help, especially the \$100 reimbursement that it provides. She also thanked Mrs. Purtorti for organizing the lunch assistance for the new Kindergarten and 1st Graders. She said it was very helpful.

NEXT PTO MEETING – NOVEMBER 10 @ 7pm