Nash PTA Meeting Minutes
November 3, 2009
Nash Elementary – Library

I. Elizabeth Daghfal, PTA President, welcomed all parents and teachers in attendance.

II. Approval of Agenda
   • Motion to approve agenda: Juanita Ho
   • 2nd: Lynda Bogdala
   • Motion approved, motion accepted and passed

III. Treasurer’s Report, Regina Scheppa
   A. There was not a lot of activity in October but there have been changes in Fall Fundraiser, Bake Sale, Market Day, and there is a new yearend estimate.
   B. There is an opportunity for a donation from Modern Woodman. They are offering to match $1,700 that was made in a fundraising program within the school. The school will first have to write a check to Modern Woodman for $1,700 and in return they will write the school a check for $3,400.

IV. Motion to put September’s Minutes into permanent record
   • Motion to approve Minutes: Dave Bogdala
   • 2nd: Cal Becker
   • Motion approved, motion accepted and passed

V. Fundraising
   A. Bake Sale – Tamara Fink
      1. The 5th grade sponsored bake sale made $151. The next sale will be sponsored by 4th grade and will be on Friday, November 20.
   B. Box Tops – Christina Walker
      1. A check for $952 is coming in and there will be one more check coming in April. The competitions will begin in December.
   C. Campbell’s – Syndi Vazquez
      1. When sending in labels, the only part needed is the UPC and picture of the boy.
      2. There is an opportunity to submit through Labels for America, this will give the school an additional 500 points and it can be done 4 times a year.
   D. Out to Eat Nights – Syndi Vazquez
      1. We are hoping to find some new places to have an out to eat night. A few of the places that are being considered are Tazinos, Friends Deli, and Hu Hut.
E. Market Day – Christina Walker
   1. In September we earned $165 and in October $151.

F. Spirit Wear – Gillian Santoro
   1. There were a few late orders but they will get out before Thanksgiving break.
   The next opportunity to order spirit wear will be in January.

G. Book Fair
   1. It will be the week of November 16-20. Volunteers are still needed to work.
   2. Elizabeth Daghfal, Emma Bruner, and Regina Scheppa will meet to discuss
      where the money earned will go for books. They are also looking at creating a
      form to show where the money went for the books, so that it is distributed
      equally among the grade levels.
   3. Grandparent’s week is also during the book fair. They will have the
      opportunity to read to a child on video for a small fee.

H. Coke Rewards – Steve Retherford
   1. This is a program to collect caps to earn points and redeem for school
      supplies.

I. McDonald Receipts – Janet Lowe
   1. We still have around 5,000 receipts and more are still being collected. These
      are turned in and the school can receive supplies.

J. Brick Orders – Regina Scheppa
   1. Flyers are being sent home to the Kindergarten parents. Forms will also go
      home to the 5th grade parents towards the end of the school year.
   2. There are two sizes to order from a 4x8 for $60 and an 8x8 for $120.

K. Vendor Fair – Elizabeth Dagfal
   1. This fair is being coordinated and will be an opportunity for consultants from
      Tupperware, Pampered Chef, Lia Sophia, Mary Kay, and others to sell their
      merchandise. Tables can be rented on a first come first serve basis.

VI. Extra Curricular
   A. Fall Festival – Holly Richards
      1. Planning is underway for the festival being held on Friday, November 6 from
       6 pm to 9 pm. We have commitments from Harborside Academy and Indian
       Trail Academy’s ROTC for volunteers to run the games and crafts. There
       have also been a lot of donations sent in for the festival. Thank you to all the
       parents and teachers for all of their help.

   B. Open Gym
      1. Open gym will be on Thursday night. It will be for grades K and 1. Parents
         open gym will follow.
C. Grandparent’s Week – Gillian Santoro
   1. This will be held November 16-20. Parents, grandparents, aunts, and uncles are welcome to come eat lunch with a student. Donations for treats for the visiting family members are being accepted and volunteers are also needed.

D. Mittens on a Clothesline – Tamara Fink
   1. Michelle Reget will chair this program. Gift certificates and clothes and toy donations will be accepted. Families will have their first opportunity to pick a mitten during conferences.

VII. Curricular
A. Reflections – Elizabeth Daghfal
   1. It is not too late to get the rules and entry form, just contact Elizabeth. All entries will be due on Thursday, November 12. In January there will be a party for the students who entered. Volunteers are still needed for the night of the party. This year’s theme is “Beauty is…”

B. Vision/Hearing Screening – Jennifer Schumann
   1. The screening went very well and smoothly. Jennifer volunteered to be the chairperson.

C. Battle of the Books
   1. Cara Gorr is the chairperson. The list of books to be read are on the wall between the 2/3 and 4/5 hallways.

D. Yearbooks – Elizabeth Daghfal
   1. Order forms are going home this week.
   2. There will also be a cover contest again. This year’s theme is “Candy”. The entries must be flat and not 3D. Please do not put your name on the front of the entry.
   3. Pictures are still needed. Please send in any pictures that are taken at school functions, field trips, parties, or anything else. Send these pictures in a.s.a.p.

E. Hot Chocolate Mornings – Juanita Ho
   1. A helper is needed to assist with serving drinks to the Safety Patrol.

F. Volunteer Forms
   1. In order to get on a list to volunteer to help with a particular activity, please turn in your volunteer form. You will then be contacted by that activities chairperson.

G. Committee Chairpersons Needed
   1. Ink Jet/Cell Phones – Kathy Boone volunteered to chair.
   2. Family Fun Nights
   3. Vision/Hearing Screening – Jennifer Schumann volunteered to chair

H. Newsletter – Syndi Vazquez
   1. All articles need to be submitted by November 20.
VIII. Teacher/ Parent Comments
   A. Dave Dummer, PE Teacher, introduced a Traverse Climbing Wall to be
      constructed in the gym. The total cost for the wall would be $3,511.75 plus $600
      for installation. It was introduced to be put on the books to be looked into further
      at a later date.
   B. Elizabeth Daghfal
      1. Informed all of the new boundaries for the high schools. The plan that was
         voted on and accepted was J/H. This plan has all of the Nash students going to
         Indian Trail for high school.
      2. There will also be a meeting at Mahone on November 17 to meet the
         principals of the academy schools.

IX. Mr. Marty Pitts – Principal
   A. On Tuesday, November 11 at 1:15, there will be a Veteran’s Day assembly in the
      gym.
   B. First quarter conferences will be held on November 23, 24, and 25.
   C. WKCE tests are underway and he is very optimistic about how the students will
      do. The result will not be available until March or April though.
   D. On average there are about 23 students absent, but for a couple weeks there were
      75 to 80 students absent a day because of the H1N1 flu. Now, thankfully, we are
      back to average. Just remember to wash your hands frequently and cough or
      sneeze into your sleeve to prevent the spreading of the germs.
   E. Chess club has started
   F. Mr. Pitts opened the floor for any other comments.
      1. Christina Walker raised an issue about the exit on 99th Ave. The problem is
         cars are not stopping at the sign, resulting in children and parents having to
         wait an extremely long time to cross. It is encouraged to have a parent help the
         safety patrol with the traffic and the crossing of parents and students. Jennifer
         Schumann and Christina Walker both volunteered to help.
      2. A Nash Movie Night was suggested. Children and parents could come to the
         school and watch a movie. It was also suggest the PTA sell popcorn and
         drinks during the movie. It is being considered to be held 1 time a quarter.
      3. It was suggested to recreate the colonial period and the civil war in
         conjunction with the 5th grade studies. Ideas for hiring people to reinact the
         period was discussed.

X. Closing Comments
   A. Elizabeth Daghfal thanked all for coming to the meeting.
   B. A volunteer bulletin board is in the works to recognize the efforts of the parents
      and teachers within the school.
XI. Motion to Adjourn

- *Motion to adjourn:* Christina Walker
- *2nd:* Syndi Vazquez
- *Motion accepted and passed*