

Glenwood Landing School
SCA Meeting
January 20, 2010
8:45 a.m. Auditorium

-Laura Morea called the meeting to order at 8:50 a.m. She thanked everyone for coming. She called for a motion to approve the minutes from the November 18, 2009 Membership Meeting. The motion was made, seconded and the minutes were approved by a majority of members present.

Old Business:

-Our chair for the Safety Committee is unable to continue as chair for the rest of the year. We are in need of a volunteer replacement. The Safety Committee chair is required to attend Building Safety Committee meetings once a month on Wednesdays and district wide meetings once a month at central office. The Safety Committee acts as a liaison between the district and the school.

-We are also in need of someone to volunteer to chair the Citizen's Awareness Committee. This committee helps to get out the vote for the school budget which takes place in May.

-The Spirit Committee has new Spirit Wear to sell. Please contact Nicole Berry and Deana Roper to volunteer or to place an order.

-The SCA would like to thank Paula Genet and Julia Venturino for the 5th Grade Book Fair; Courtney Fitzpatrick, Jackie Fitzpatrick and Lauren Heffernan for the After School Program; Tina Kontorouhas for the Decorating Committee; Alexis O'Sullivan for producing Kidpower, our school newspaper; Adrienne Daley, Patty Vogel and Susan Robertson for the Yearbook Committee.

New Business:

-The Nominating Committee is being formed. The SCA Executive Board is seeking to fill the positions of Recording Secretary, Co-President and Vice President for the upcoming school year. If you are interested in being on this committee, please let us know.

-The SCA would like to thank Adrienne Daley for her generous support as a photographer for the school.

-The SCA has been asked to grant an item from the Wish List. The Cultural Arts Committee would like the SCA to spend \$1,500 to help pay for a visit to our school from Ruby Bridges. The visit will be for grades 3, 4, and 5. Parents can go to the website, RubyBridges.com to see an overview of the presentation. Laura asked for a motion to approve the expense of \$1,500 for Ruby Bridges. A motion was made, seconded and approved by a majority of the members present.

- Cathy Patrichuk has begun a class competition for the Box Tops Committee. Jackie stated that she just deposited a check for \$606.00 from the collection of Box Tops. Please keep sending them in--every bit helps!
- The Mardi Gras Dinner Dance is set for February 26th at the Swan Club. Dawn Walton, the Committee Chair, asked that the class parents and grade chairs have their money for the grade baskets in by next Friday.

Faculty Report:

Lois Jacobs

- The kindergarteners have been learning about Native Americans and the Pilgrims.
- Second graders have been busy conducting science experiments. Third grade has been studying food chains, food webs and the ecosystem.
- Fifth grade has been studying poetry and working with microscopes.
- Grades 2,3,4 and 5 have all been learning about internet safety in the Library.
- In art, all of the classes have been cutting, pasting drawing and sculpting.
- Parents can find out about all that their children have been doing in gym by reading the "Gym Shorts" newsletter.
- Mrs. Cortez-Riggio's class was interviewed by Channel 12 about the Green Project.

Principal's Report:

Bridget Finder

- Thank you for approving the funding to pay for Ruby Bridges' visit. Parents are welcome to come to the assembly on March 23rd.
- Thank you Paula Genet and Julia Venturino for the 5th Grade Book Fair, Tina Kontorouhas for the Decorating Committee, the Yearbook Committee, After School Clubs and Activities Committee, Christina Brown for the Holiday Fair, Alexis O'Sullivan for Kidpower, Lisa Vizza and Gail Puskuldjian for the Shared Decision Making Committee.
- Our evening custodian lost his brother and sister-in-law and other family members in the earthquake in Haiti. If parents would like to add to a teacher fund that is already being set up to help, they can give cash to one of the secretaries in the main office. We are not allowed to take money directly from the children. Third graders will be selling bookmarks during Family Fun Night and the proceeds will go to Haiti relief through the Red Cross.
- Special Area Report Cards will be sent home on January 25th. The fourth and fifth graders will be receiving "Fitness-grams".
- January 21st BOE town meeting at 8 p.m.
- January 22 is Green Day
- January 29th is the Enrichment sponsored program, Strumming and Drumming.

Treasurer's Report:

Jackie Weber

Opening Balance:	\$27,471.85
Closing Balance (12/31/2009):	\$36,176.36

Outstanding checks:	\$8,860.32
Outstanding deposits:	\$500.35

Quicken balance (register): **\$27,816.39**

-The outstanding checks include payments for Spirit Wear order and the 4th grade Carnegie Hall trip.

-Upcoming payments will include Holiday Shop items and Book Fair invoice for approximately \$8,000.00

Profits from fundraising events:

Cookie Dough	\$1440.20
Holiday Shop	\$841.40
Book Fair (5 th Grade fundraiser)	\$2,464.10
Holiday Pictures (incl. Halloween)	\$289.00
SCA Clubs and Activities	\$275.13

-At this point, Meredith Lewin for the Nutrition Committee spoke to the membership about a survey which will be sent to parents via e-mail in order to get some feedback about lunch prices as well as current menu items. She asked that parents please respond to the survey. She also said that we are in need of volunteers to attend the Nutrition Committee's meetings. These meetings, which are held once a month, are open to anyone who wants to attend. Currently, there is only one person representing GWL, no one from the Glen Head School, and a large group representing the Sea Cliff School.

-Congratulations to our giveaway winners:

Patty Vogel (dinner dance ticket)

Miriam Koslowsky (a book by Ruby Bridges)

Meredith Lewin (book by Dr. Dolgoff, nutritionist and, our guest speaker)

Meeting adjourned, 9:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alissa Fichtl