

MEDWAY SECONDARY HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION, INC

Meeting minutes: December 09, 2009

Members Present: Judy Yasi, Elise Kokoszka, June Miller, Ruth Irr, Jeanne Mahanna, Razia Matthews, Lisa Chilliniski, Diane Citron & JoAnne Muench

Call to order: 7:25 p.m.

President's Announcements: Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

Vice President's Announcements: Same as above.

Secretary's Minutes: Approved, with the following typo changes; correct spelling of Linda Corridan's name, change the Yankee Swap total from \$17 to \$15.

Treasurer's report: Approved.

Ski Trip: So far there are only six extra 8th graders signed up for the trip which is too few to add another bus so they can choose to go with 7th graders or the High School trip on Sundays. Very few parents have volunteered to chaperone the ski trip. The total numbers of students participating has dropped across the board. Blockbuster should be approached to donate the videos for the bus ride.

Fundraiser: Innisbrook would like us to sign up for next year. Sales have been down all over, not just in our town. We voted to sign again for next year.

New Business: There is a new Wellness Policy being discussed at the School Committee Meeting. This policy was presented by Dot Pearl and Linda Corridan. June Miller gave us a summary of the discussion held at the meeting. Food became the major issue, particularly the kind of and amount of food which will be allowed, if at all, in school. This brought many questions such as the students selling food type products for fund raisers, SADD - candy bars, Science O - lollypops, Cheerleading, MABA, National Honor Society, etc., usually sold before, during and after school hours. Will this policy apply only when school is in session or for any event that takes place on school property? The policy states that any food brought in for a

celebration held in school will not be allowed unless it is store bought and individually wrapped; NO MORE home-baked goods will be allowed. We risk food poisoning every time home-baked items are allowed!! June asked if the goal is to turn our schools into prisons. This is the tweak year and if anyone disagrees with this new policy, their opinion should be made know to the School Committee. We need to make sure that parents are made aware of the proposed change in this policy and have a chance to express their opinions before it quietly becomes the new, permanent policy of our school system.

Next Meeting: January 6, 2010, at 7:30p.m., in the Guidance Area of Medway High School.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JoAnne B. Muench, Secretary, MSHA