

MEDWAY SECONDARY HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION, INC

Meeting minutes: October 7,, 2009

Members Present: Judy Yasi, Elise Kokoszka, June Miller, Ruth Irr, Leslie Guyette, Teresa O'Connor, Shelley Wieler, Jeanne Mahanna, Diane Citron & JoAnne Muench

Call to order: 7:35 p.m.

President's Announcements: None

Vice President's Announcements: None.

Secretary's Minutes: Approved.

Treasurer's report: Approved.

Bake Sale: We will be having a bake sale during the Special Election on January 19, 2010. Leslie Guyette will organize the sale.

Box Tops: Megan is looking for **new** ideas to inspire the students to collect the box tops. In years past, the highest selling homeroom would win a pizza party. Food seems to motivate the students. There will be a committee meeting with all the volunteers to brain storm for some new ideas.

Environmental Trip: There was discussion again this year if the trip should be cancelled. Parents would like to keep the trip. Scholarships are built into the price by our best guess. We currently budget ten scholarships at \$300 each, which includes partial scholarships. The price can possibly remain the same at least through next year. We are not sure if the light bulb fundraiser will be profitable next year as it will be the fourth year and the light bulbs last a very long time. We need to find a new fundraiser and should get together with the new coordinators to discuss this. Two hundred and eleven students went on the trip and seven came home early. The teacher coordinator did not write a letter to request the \$1500 donation from the Lions Club. This money can still be requested since the Lion's calendar year is from January to December and this donation is in their budget.

Fundraiser: The current total is \$16,000 with only 25% participation as compared to 36% participation last year. This year the average is an \$18 order per catalog as compared to \$30 per catalog order last year. The end date was extended by one week from this Friday to next Friday. We will still get 50% of the sales as we have met the 10% participation goal.

Ski Club: The Middle School club runs very smoothly and is very well organized. At the mountain all the badges are the same color so our school is easily identified by ribbons made by our chaperones. Brian Irr is running the program with Kristen Diebus's help. The Wachusett Mountain trip is an a la carte type of trip with lesson being extra. The Nashoba Valley package has a price with or without a lesson package. Checks will be cashed as soon as they are received. The cost for the High School trip busses that go to Waterville Valley has increase by \$30 but the cost of the busses for the Middle School has remained the same.

Snack Shack: Kathy Spinazola has enough volunteers to keep the Middle School snack shack open five days a week. Both the High School and Middle School snack shacks are up and running.

Volunteers: One hundred twelve of yellow volunteer forms were returned from the student packets, which is about the same number as last year.

New Business: We had an election for new members of the High School Council. Sue Rourke and JoAnne Muench each won a 2 year term.

Next Meeting: November 4, 2009 at 7:30 p.m., HS Guidance Area.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JoAnne B. Muench, Secretary, MSHSA