



Carder PTA
Meeting Minutes
January 11, 2011

Topic	Discussion
Welcome and Introductions: Sarah Meda	The meeting was called to order at 6:37 PM with 15 members in attendance.
Minutes: Kim Newton	The minutes from the December 2010 meeting were reviewed and submitted.
Reports	
Treasurer's Report: Marybeth Greene	A copy of the report has been submitted for audit. Account Balances as of 11/1/11 follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Savings: \$20,911.70• Checking: \$0.00
Principal's Report: Dan Davis	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Swings have arrived and will be installed in spring or summer.• Donovan Academy will pay for the author, James Bruchac's visit on Feb. 1. There will be three presentations K-1, 2-3, 4-5, as well as an evening presentation on Feb. 2 that will be open to other schools as well. Each teacher will receive a copy of the author's work before the visit. Mrs. Seger requests that the PTA help get the word out about the Feb. 2 evening performance. Thank you to Mrs. Seger for arranging this.• At the PTA Council meeting, a general question arose about Recess and Lunch monitors (not just Carder specific). A few parents have expressed concern with some of the language and tone used by some monitors. Principal Davis outlined how he addresses these concerns. He has spoken to the monitors and models the best

	<p>way to get children's attention; he has established guidelines for monitors to follow. He makes himself available during lunch and recess to assist; also all SERT team members have walkie talkies. A few PTA members attending the meeting commented that they have noticed improved relations between the monitors and students. Parents are encouraged to visit during lunch and recess and contact Principal Davis with their concerns. Parents are also encouraged to visit other schools so that they can see the relationship at other schools, too.</p>	
<p>PTA Council: Bonnie Mason</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staffing question with regards to lunch and recess monitors. (See comments above) • Gregg School to be holding an assembly on bullying. • Voice projections device being used at Carder, (tied to an IEP). • School Budget: 6.7 million deficit. The proposed 2% cap on property tax could make it difficult for the board to close the deficit. This is a state wide concern. A number of spending freezes are already realized; Horseheads school district already operating under a spending freeze. • Superintendent stated how appreciative he is of the work the teachers and staff do, especially under these economic conditions. 	
<p>Committee Review/Reports</p>		
<p>Teacher Rep. Ellen O'Hare</p>	<p>Thank you to Kim Jensen for attending. We appreciate your input and time.</p>	
<p>Movie Night: Candice Hill</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Movie night on Thursday January 13, 2011. Would like to provide popcorn and drinking boxes for those attending. Currently over 	<p>Motion: Request an additional \$200.00 for the movie night program line.</p>

	<p>140 people attending.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Due to a licensing issue, Toy Story 3 will be the movie being shown. 	<p>Moved: Candice Hill Second: Ellen O'Hare Passed: Unanimous</p>
Special Education	No report available at this time.	
Reflections, Bulletin Board: Denise Robinson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 36 submissions with 9 going to district level, and 3 onto state. Going on to state: Grace Bickham & Nicole Dunlap – Grade 5 (Dance Choreography), Emma Brown – Grade 2 (Visual Arts) Quinn Campbell – Grade 4 (Film Production) Certificates have been sent home and projects on display in the library. • Thank you to Denise for all the work, and for establishing the bulletin board. Thank you to Principal Davis for giving the PTA the bulletin board space. 	
Box Tops: Kim Newton for Jane Trice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next collection on the 14th of January. • One remaining collection – February 14. • Please use the www.btfe.com website. 	
Membership	No report available at this time.	
Paw Prints and Yearbook: Mary Ann Tozer	<p>Year Book;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flyer for yearbook sales will be sent home in February. • Currently laying out class photos. <p>Paw Prints;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deadline for submissions in Jan. 19, 2011 <p>Holiday for the Troops Update;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parcels received and distributed to troops in Afghanistan • Photos of recipients enjoying their gifts are pending. Once received will include in both a future edition of Paw Prints and Yearbook. 	

School Portraits: Kim Newton for Tina Schroeder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Received a check for \$ 2,033.90 Feedback given regarding poses, removal of glasses, and mix ups with some orders. Dates for 2011/12 school year: Thursday, October 13th, makeup day being November 16th. 	
Coat Bank: Candice for Julie Judd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If anyone knows of a student and or family in need of coats, please let Audrey Slavin know. Hats, mitts, snow pants, and gloves as well as many coats are available. 	
Bingo Night: Sarah Meda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> February 10, 2011 at 6:30pm in the Cafeteria New Volunteers contacted. light snacks available courtesy of PTA Prizes provided by <i>Imagine That</i> Basket Raffle kick off, tickets available Have Bingo set from CFA, need to replace a few missing balls. Need a call board; make one or see if possible to use a SMART board. Peter Wigley or Scott Robinson to be the bingo "caller". 	
New Business		
Topic	Discussion	Action
Author Visit: Candice Hill	A Donovan Academy grant to pay for visit. PTA to help let community know of night time visit 2/2/11.	
Communication Cost: Candice Hill	Ann Campbell currently pays out of her pocket \$30 / month for "mail chimp" program. In recognition of her using this program to inform membership, would like to offer to reimburse her for part of the annual cost.	Motion: Reimburse the amount of \$150.00 (10 months at \$15.00/ month) for communication costs to Ann Campbell. Moved: Candice Hill Second: Marybeth Greene Passed: Unanimous
School Flag: Candice Hill	Copy of the Koala art work for the flag has been located and was sent on to the vendor before the holidays. Final cost and date of delivery to be	

	forth coming.
Speaker	An expert on Internet Safety to give a talk after the Feb. 8, 2011 meeting.
Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 7:21pm.

Dates to Remember

PTA meeting	February 8, 2011
Internet Safety speaker	February 8, 2011
Bingo Night	February 10, 2011
Winter Recess	February 18-22, 2011
PTA Food Drive	March 7-11, 2011
PTA Meeting	March 8, 2011
Parent/Teacher Conference (HALF DAY)	March 10, 2011
Daylight Savings Time	March 13, 2011
Parent/Teacher Conference (HALF DAY)	March 16, 2011
Parent/Teacher Conference (HALF DAY)	March 22, 2011
District Science Fair	March 26-27, 2011
Spring Recess	April 1 – 10, 2011
PTA Meeting	April 12, 2011
Good Friday (NO SCHOOL)	April 22, 2011

Notes
