

Key School PTA
Executive Committee Meeting
January 13, 2009

Attendees: David Landeryou, Christy Ross, Paige Chabora, Jen Felten, Julie Scott, Susan Kaminskas, Ms. Julie Brown, Ms. Sharon Sholem, and Ms. Rachel Harrar

- I. Christy called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.
- II. Principal's Report: Mr. Landeryou welcomed everyone and discussed the recent Holiday show and what a success it was.
- III. Teacher's Report: Julie Brown, Sharon Scholem, and Rachel Harrar requested a guided reading room or area where books can be stored and shared among all the teachers. This would assist them in providing appropriate books for the various reading levels and be a great asset in the furthering the guided reading program. The committee requested some general costs and planning ideas. The cost would be relatively high due to the number of books that would need purchasing.
- IV. Treasurer's Report: Julie Scott. Xmas tree sale net 7K vs. a goal of 8K. This was offset by a net o 1K from the secret shop. KEHP is running at a positive of 13K. We are currently about 1K away from our dues/supplies goal but still about 4K away from covering the costs of our bulk order supplies.
- V. Committee Reports: Elaine Kennedy reported that it was a success but recommended that more people organize it next year as it is a lot of work for two people. Use outside organization? Offer more "green" items or use only "green" wrapping paper? Children make items? Overall positive feedback; most importantly, the children love it!

KEHP: It was recommended that someone other than Ann should know how to order supplies, do payroll, etc. When Ann was out for an extended period, there was no one to manage these items.

VI. Old Business:

Still short about 4K in covering our costs for bulk supplies. 65 letters were sent out to those who had not paid and about 30 of those paid. Will put something else in Keynotes and maybe make some calls or send emails. Will need to discuss whether this is ok to continue program next year.

January PTA meeting – There will be a Health and Food Presentation which will cover other school lunch programs. They will also discuss the effects of

dyes and transfats on our children. This program will be put together by Jackie Vann and Kim Snedden and be the last half of the meeting.

Life After Key: Middle School Fair will be held at Key on 2/3/2009. Six schools will present what they have to offer in their middle school and what is required for the children to apply as there seems to be a lot of confusion of various options. Other elementary school parents are invited to attend and gather information.

VI. New Business:

Teacher's aides salaries are paid by PTA and they do not receive benefits. If aid by DCPS, they do get benefits. It was suggested that the contract between the PTA and aides be reviewed.

VII. Meeting was adjourned.