

Forest Edge PTA Meeting
December 11th 2007
7:00PM

- Call to Order: At 7:11pm by President Jeannie Johns.
- 12 attendees
- Minutes from last month (November) were approved.
- Treasurer's Report given by Jeannie Johns:
 - To date we are "breaking even".
 - Assistant Principal Fund- \$2,870.00 left to date.
- Correspondence: The PTA received two thank you notes-
 - From Della Brown thank the PTA for helping to aid her conference for the American String Teachers in Late Feb. '08.
 - From Kathie Pfeiffer-Hahn thanking the PTA for all the beginning of the year "treats and food".
- Other corresponding news from Mr. Bensinger: A 5x7 foot flag (which was in combat) is being sent to the school in response to the poster which was sent to the troops thanking them for "all that they do". The flag will be hung in the cafeteria.
- Teacher Report: Nothing to report
- Committee Report:
 - Entertainment Books: Can be purchased in the front office
 - Market Day: Mrs. Herron- Sales have increased tremendously from this time last year. Concern regarding January delivery due to winter break.
 - Mighty Milers: Kim Giebel – Race date is set for April 19th. Posters have been made and delivered to the PE teachers. A presentation will be made by Kim Giebel to the staff on December 17th at 12:45pm to introduce the program. The official kick-off will be January 7th during "morning report". The PE teachers and Mr. Bensinger will be addressing the students and encouraging them to participate. Jeannie Johns has been wonderful in finding sponsors to help with race numbers as well as the Reston Runners will be lending us their equipment for a small cost.
 - PTArt training is January 3rd.
- Principal's Report: Considerable funding will be reduced next year. There is current discussion of raising class size by .5. Raising class size is the best. In addition, funding for technology will be affected as well. These costs are due to a budget deficit. Foreign languages are coming to elementary school. The Principal Association gave a list to the Superintendent of items to change or reduce, but these items have been ignored. Mr. Bensinger is worried about Focus school funding. He will be sending a message to Jeannie Johns which will be forwarded to the PTA asking parents to send letters to the superintendent. Mr. Bensinger hired an additional teacher for the nursery school.
- Presentations-Special Education