

**GREEN BROOK PTO MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 12, 2010**

7:42 PM Lisa Couch calls meeting to order
Motion made to put off reading the minutes, seconded and passed

Treasure's Report

- Checking Account: \$28,839.71
- Savings Account: \$12,755.00 (\$10,000 reserved for Middle School project)
- Book fair profit of \$6,347 for both IEF and GBMS
- Motion made to accept report and seconded, passed by all

Fundraiser Presentation by Dini Checko

Dini Checko offered to organize a fundraiser with Viridian Energy. Viridian Energy is a 3rd party electric supplier. For every household that signs up with Viridian, \$2 per household per month will be given back to the Green Brook PTO. There is no contract, no early termination fee. There is a one time start up fee of \$299 for the fundraiser. That fee will be covered once 15 households switch to Viridian. For more information visit www.viridian.com/energysavermom or call or e-mail Dini Checko with questions.

Motion was made to go with Viridian Energy as a fundraiser with the understanding that if anyone has any issues, concerns, problems, he/she will contact Lisa Couch by October 26 and at that time Lisa will end the fundraiser with no penalty and discussion will continue at a later date. Seconded, one opposed, motion passed.

President's Report

- Do not forget to fill out forms at least 24 hours in advance if you want check reimbursement, cash box, etc.
- Treasure's request form is located on PTO website.
- Homeroom Parents were chose last week. Parents were notified by e-mail. Kickoff meeting October 15 at 9:30 AM IEF cafeteria and October 20 at 7 PM in the IEF Teacher's Lounge. 6th, 7th, and 8th grades will no longer have Valentine's party

Board of Education Representative

No Representatives were in attendance

Principal's Report

Mr. Lamberti congratulated 2nd grade student, Lauren Chapleski, for reading 20 books over the summer. Lauren was awarded an Applebee's and Learning Express gift certificate. Mr. Lamberti also informed the PTO that there are new safety laws issued by the state of NJ. He then reviewed important dates coming up at IEF

- Evacuation drills, weather permitting will be held on Friday, October 15 or

- Wednesday, October 20
- Friday, October 15 2nd and 3rd graders will begin talent development
 - Friday, October 22 is Career Day at IEF
 - Tuesday, October 2 - Pomptonian Food Services will have a nutrition fair in IEF cafeteria
 - December 2 is Principal Story time at Barnes and Noble in Bridgewater

Teacher Report

Mrs. Doane reported that there will be a RIF party on Friday, November 12. Parents are invited to write down any suggestions of books they would like to see a RIF parties.

Committee Reports

- Sunshine Fundraising – Lisa Couch informed members that October 13 is the deadline, all orders must be in by Thursday
- Kid's Stuff Coupon Books fundraiser will begin this week for grades 1-7. Volunteers are needed to distribute books on October 14 at 10 AM
- Bake Sale – Gina Strong would like to do a bake sale at Vendor Night on November 12. Please volunteer to work it that night
- Book Fairs were a great success. The next book fair is in March. The March book fair will be a non-profit fair, we will get Scholastic money instead which will be used to fund RIF.
- Box Tops – Gina Strong informed members that the deadline for getting box tops in is October 31. Also, if you order from Oriental Trading through their website our schools can get 4% back of your total order. Visit www.boxtops4education.com for more information.
- Vendor Night – Kim Grossman is chairing vendor night, which will be held on November 12 at GBMS from 6 PM – 10 PM
- Trunk or Treating chaired by Cathy Yanes will be on October 22 at 6:30 PM at the IEF parking lot.
- Mrs. Natkie, librarian at IEF, is holding a pumpkin decorating contest. Students are asked to decorate a pumpkin to resemble their favorite character. All participants will receive a \$5 gift card; the top 3 winners will receive a \$10 gift card. The PTO has set aside \$300 for this event.
- The first Bengal Bash will be held on Friday, October 22, 2010

Old Business

New Business

The next meeting will be November 9, 2010. First grade homeroom parents are responsible for refreshments. Meeting adjourned at 9 PM

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Buckle, PTO Secretary