Indian Hill PLG Meeting Notes Tuesday, November 2

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Lucia pointed out the fire exits.

President

- Lucia asked that everyone please remember to vote today.
- There will be no school this Thursday and Friday.
- November 19, 22, 23 and 24 will be half days for Indian Hill and Village School students.
- Report cards will be sent home on November 19.
- All three hangouts went smoothly and the kids had a great time. Thanks to all who volunteered, and to all who donated snacks and drinks.
- Red ribbon week was a great success! Thanks to Kim Jeanos and all other volunteers.
- Amazing box tops collections! WOW! 14,000 box tops collected last month means \$1,400 free money!
- The winning class had their pizza party yesterday. Box top sheets will be attached to the newsletter in the future. There will be a running total in each issue of the newsletter so kids know where their class stands in the competition.
- The Signals submission deadline November 18th.
- Craft fair: over 50 crafters and vendors are registered! There is room for more vendors.
 - The craft fair is being advertised in newspapers, journals and local shops and grocery stores. It is also posted on the school's outdoor sign.
 - If you attend, please buy food and drinks, as income from these sales goes directly to the PLG.
 - Nina offered her Girl Scout troop to help set up on Friday. Help will be needed around 2:00 on Friday.
 - School doors will open for set up at 7:00 AM on Saturday.

Holiday Shoppe

- Monica will need a committee of volunteers to make Holiday Shoppe a success.
- Monica has met with Christine Reddington to get an overview of how it's run.
- The sign up sheet has been sent to Barbara Duncan for approval. This flier will be sent home after the craft fair.
- Nina asked that paper fliers be sent home, in addition to email notices, to make sure everyone is aware of the event. Red ribbon special days were communicated via email only and some information slipped through the cracks.
- Sue Bossert has offered to co-chair Holiday Shoppe. Thanks Sue!
- Cheerleading parents may not be here, so please show up to help.

Membership

• Indian Hill's membership is approximately 59%, with collections totaling \$2249, (including teachers, who are at 62%).

Fundraising

- Everyone head out to TGI Fridays in Hazlet from 5-9 on Wednesday, November 3rd. 20% of your check goes to the Indian Hill PLG. Please make sure you give your server the coupon at bottom of the flier.
- A flier will be going out requesting food and drink donations for the craft fair. The
 best food donations will be candy, cookies, drinks, because we have leftover chip
 donations from the hangouts.
- We didn't gift to Indian hill last year because it was a confusing year, for a variety of reasons. Would like to give a really nice gift this year!!! Please support Indian Hill fundraising efforts!
- If anyone has a local business, Roseanne has fliers to post in store windows.

Corresponding Secretary

- If anyone is not getting PLG emails, please let Andrea know.
- We received a nice thank you card from Ms. McConnell for the teacher lunch.
- If anyone ever wants anything sent out to the PLG, please forward it to Andria

Interim Principal

- Ms. McGinty thanked the PLG for the author assembly.
- This was Ms. McGinty's first hangout experience. All three were a lot of fun!
- Mr. Woods produced an amazing star lab for the 5th graders!!!!! He was so knowledgeable! We need to make sure Barbara Duncan knows about the star lab program, and what a great job Mr. Woods is doing!
- We had a Prevention First assembly organized by Eileen Calvert. It was very well done. In December there will be an assembly on cyber bullying.

- The kid's election speeches were terrific!
- Parent teacher conferences are this month.
- November 19, 22, 23, 24 will be half days.
- November 10 ends the marking period.

Assistant Principal

No report

Mr. Woods

- Thanks for the author assembly! It's amazing that we get "A list" authors to speak at our school! Also, thank you so much for the teacher lunch!
- All soft cover books are online on TIPS. There are also some hardcover 6th grade books.

Treasurer

- Tammy was not at the meeting, but the budget was distributed.
- What were expenses on hangout? We paid for the custodian, pizza, the DJ, and a few small prizes.
- Chimin motioned to approve the budget, Lisa Kronin seconded.

Career Day

- It's going along well.
- Lisa Kronin asked if they are aware of food allergies if chefs, etc. come in as presenters. Nina said yes.

Class Parents

- It's been difficult to get 5th and 6th grade class parents, but the Halloween parties happened anyway.
- In the future, there will be a space for emails on the class parents' forms.

Cultural Arts

• The next assembly is scheduled for January, and will be a poetry presenter. It should be a lot of fun.

Games

• The Hobby shop gave us two games for every class for \$250. This was a great deal! This year, the games were given to the 4th grade, last year the 6th grade received new games. Please support the Hobby Shop as a show of thanks.

Go Green

• The Go Green committee is getting ready for Earth Day week, and sub committees are being formed. Earth Week is being celebrated the week after spring break.

Hangout

• Roseanne is running 6th grade hangout at the end of the year.

Historian

• Please get your party pictures to the historians so they can hang them up on the bulletin board.

Holiday Shoppe

 A volunteer signup sheet was passed around for setup on Monday, December 6th and breakdown on Friday, the 10th. The best thing would be to have the same group for both.

Drug and Alcohol Alliance

• Red Ribbon week was great! Thanks to Kim Jeanos and all those who helped.

Ms. Calvert

 A parent workshop is scheduled for January. Judy Kramer will speak on social consciousness.

BOE

- The Board met last Wednesday. A Memorandum of Agreement has been signed between the teachers union and the district. We still need ratification on both sides, but it's a huge step in the right direction. Hopefully, we will hear more in the next month. The contract would take us to the 2012/2013 school year.
- Off campus conduct guidelines are being revised to reflect state law. This concerns behavior unrelated to school and whether or not the school could punish a student for that behavior. The focus in on health, safety and welfare issues that could materially interfere with school.
- Doris Maiers has retired. She has been a lunch and playground aid in Holmdel since 1984.
- There will be a presentation at the November 17 meeting on Readers and Writers Workshop. Presentations are at the beginning of the meeting.

HFEE

- The Annual Giving Campaign is starting soon.
- Please support HFEE via the Script gift card program: when you order gift cards online, HFEE gets a percentage. This is free money! Gift cards are especially great for teacher gifts. The first order deadline is Nov 15, with a delivery date of November 24. There will be another order scheduled for Christmas delivery. The gift cards are sent to HFEE, and then distributed.

HCAA

- The Satz fall play, *Life is Shhhweet,* will be held November 12th and 13th. It is a silent play written by Mr. Dowd. Please go see it!
- The High School play, Godspell, will be November 19th and 20th
- The Indian Hill's fall play is Aladdin.

School Store

• Email Carolyn Russo if you want to work at the School Store, which takes place every Thursday during the lunch period.

Newsletter

• Please send your articles in on time. Dee added pictures to the last edition – they came out great!

Special projects

- Colleen and Nina asked that we all send in our Campbell Soup labels. Our school receives credit for things like playground equipment. There will not be a classroom competition for Campbell Soup labels.
- The Box Top sheet is attached to the newsletter. Please adhere your Box Tops to it and drop it off in front of the office.
- Lucia thanked Nina and Colleen for all their hard work.

Student directory

• The books are at the printer, and the artwork has been chosen. Roseanne hopes to have them in by the end of next week.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 AM. Roseanne Wriedt won the raffle, and received a Thanksgiving candle. The next meeting will be held on December 7th at 9:15 AM in the Indian Hill cafeteria.