

# Winthrop School PTO

## Meeting Minutes for December 2, 2009

**In attendance:** Bob Ross, Marie Nyland, Diane Heislein, Tanya McSorley, Angela Sorensen, Lisa Cusolito, Tim Donnelly, Bryna Davis, Susan Herook, Jen O'Brien, Chuck Borstel, Kelley Rosnov, Alice Albuja, JD LaRock, Gerry Mroz, Michelle Dell Isola, S. Evans, Kathy Wright

- I. **Call to Order** and discuss agenda by Bob Ross
- II. Gerry Mroz discussed his desire for **Meeting the Needs of All Learners** discussion with Ms. Davis. Ms. Davis stated that she will attempt to schedule a meeting for January 2010.
- III. **Tim Donnelly introduced as new Treasurer** (taking over for Jay Spencer).  
He reported:
  - \*any sales for fundraisers will have to start charging sales tax
  - \*we are at 60% of budget at this point (\$4000 less on dues from last year)
  - \*he suggested we should look at the numbers in the budget
  - \*Bob Ross suggested having a dues box at all events
  - \*discussed the need for changing the name from "dues" to "contributions"
- IV. **JD LaRock**, newly elected to the School Committee was introduced and spoke on his goals and visions for his role on the School Committee. He gave his home phone # **781-662-0436** and email of [larock4melrose@hotmail.com](mailto:larock4melrose@hotmail.com) and invites parents and teachers to contact him to discuss any thoughts or issues.
- V. **Ways and Means** reported by Marie Nyland:
  - \*Innisbrook/Wreath fundraisers had about 20% family participation (50-80 families in each event)
  - \*Communication for fundraising remains a concern. Suggestions for more phone call messages and a kiosk to be installed at the K/1 entrance door to improve communication of monthly events.
  - \*Cookie Dough fundraiser coming in January
- VI. **Golf Tournament** reported on by Chuck Borstel, chair of Golf Tournament committee-He is looking at dates in May and June and will report more when this is secured.
- VII. **Target List**  
Bob Ross discussed the process of the **Target Committee**
  - \*anyone who wants to sign up can
  - \*members will be responsible for looking at proposals and to assist those applying to complete their forms if necessary
  - \*a new form was created called the Targeted Funds Worksheet

\*a motion was made to make the Target List Request due January 6, 2010. The Target Committee will meet before February PTO meeting and the general PTO will vote February 3, 2010. The vote was unanimous to approve this motion.

- \*Teachers reported their top wishes as created at the Staff Meeting to be
- a. Curriculum-Science Guided Reading Library
  - b. Building-Paint classes and nurses office
  - c. Professional Development-Differentiation/Meeting the Needs of all Learners
  - d. Playground/Repaving Teachers parking lot

Sign up sheet for Target List Committee was sent around with the following members who signed up:

Kathy Wright, Michelle Dell Isola, Gerry Mroz, Chuck Borstel, Kelley Rosnov, Bob Ross, Tim Donnelly, Marie Nyland