

**GORMAN CROSSING ELEMENTARY  
PTA MEETING – APRIL 14, 2009**

Meeting began at 7:08 PM

Approval of minutes from March 2009, distributed and reviewed

**Presidents Report**

- Coffee and Conversation Chat with board on Saturday, April 18, 2009 at 9:30 in the media center (Manor Woods)
- Parent/Teacher Connection: New formula for HS capacity; PTA Project Safe After Prom; School Planning
- Comcast channel 95
- School closed next Thursday, April 24<sup>th</sup> also take your son/daughter to work day
- Bullying seminar with Jody Blanco at Howard High
- Nosey Parents Book Club read books that older children are reading last meeting on 4/11

Cultural Arts next year, suggest taken photos during the events. Have greeters for the day of each event, stay for performances and make sure parents are aware of the performances.

Sign up sheet for open committee positions for 09/10 school year.

**Treasurers Report**

- Balance \$13,771.75
- No activity except 5<sup>th</sup> grade Congressional Hearing
- \$347 spirit wear
- Market Day low activity
- Property taxes filed
- Large expense of \$3,000 may go over by \$500 for Carnival. Currently accepting pre-orders for tickets.
- On track to end with a fair budget approximately \$10,000

**Principals Report**

- MSA for grades 3,4 and 5 went well, very optimistic regarding results
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade has science portion left
- 2<sup>nd</sup> grade has SAT 10 test; total time 120 minutes over two days
- Google MSA for any information and compare demographics

**Committee Report**

- 4/26 weed front garden at 4:30 pm
- 5/2 Carnival from 11:00 – 3:00 rain or shine; need baked goods, stuffed animals and volunteers for games
- \$670.65 from Giant
- \$329.46 from Harris Teeter

- \$111.61 from Safeway
- After School Activities are being planned and should have more activities for 09/10
- Working on Cultural Arts performances for 09/10

#### Nutrition and Wellness

- Waste Free Wednesday's start 4/22
- Get Moving Monday's start 4/27 (walk outside with kids; each grade has 15 minute recess)
- Bean Jar a big hit, winner to be announced week of 4/20

#### Go Green

- School committee is in the basic stages
- 8:30 am meetings and well as communicating via email
- Looking for general ways to eliminate school waste

Emerson Community Clean Up on 4/18 from 10 am to Noon; refreshments needed

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 PM