

**Millville Elementary School Parents Association  
Minutes for November 6, 2008**

**I. Attendance**

Peggy Fowler	Kathy Stearman	Diane Homand
Kim Milliken	Amy Thistle	Elaine Provost
Kim Fuller		

**II. Introductions – Welcome**

**III. Standard Reports**

**A. Secretary’s Report for October** – read and accepted with the following amendment to Section V. Communication and Membership for the MESPA Web-Site. It should read as follows: Pictures of kids can be posted on the website without their names.

**B. Treasurer’s Report for October** – read and accepted.

**IV. Old Business**

**A. Lunch with the Principal – Cindy Nordquist**

Cindy has volunteers through January.

**B. A Day at the Farm – Cristen Flanagan – 10/12/08**

There were a lot of people and it was a lot of fun. MESPA is hoping to do this again next year.

**C. Community Reading Day – Kim Milliken – 10/24/08**

1. There were 16 readers. Everything went smoothly. We had too much food again this year so we left it for the teachers.
2. Mrs. Hughes total cost for the books was approximately \$813.32.

**D. Millville Mile – Cindy Nordquist and Julie Kearnan – 10/31/08**

There was plenty of food and the weather was great. Congratulations to Nathan Carroll for winning 1<sup>st</sup> place.

**E. Millville Mall – Kari Pisano, Kim Milliken & Lisa Cournoyer – 11/7/08**

There are 21 vendors, 3 raffle tables, 50/50 raffle table, energy table, water bottles table, cookbooks table and food and refreshments. Posters were put up around town advertising this event. All food was donated by volunteers.

**F. Variety Show – Kari Pisano & Kristen Emerson – 5/1/08 – 5/2/08**

1. The meeting scheduled for 11/14/08 has been postponed.
2. They received approval for dates to use the school. Everything is moving along smoothly.
3. A reminder notice will be sent out regarding the next round of auditions.

**G. Micro Grants – After School Clubs**

See Mrs. Tetreault’s requests.

**H. Family Portrait Day – Peggy Fowler – 11/15/08**

1. Only three families have signed up. If anyone is interested please call Geskus/Peggy to sign up otherwise they will have to cancel.
2. Since the basketball season has not started yet, we will have to pay for the use of the school. Geskus has agreed to cover this cost.

- I. Holiday Shop – Kim Fuller**
  - 1. Kim F. will send out a form requesting volunteers. Kim M. will prepare a schedule for the volunteers once all the forms are received.
  - 2. The delivery date is November 24.
- J. Worcester Ice Cats – Kim Fuller**

This will be the winter family event. Kim F. is waiting to hear available dates from BEPO. The possible dates are 2/28, 3/7 or 3/8.
- V. New Business and Upcoming Events**
  - A. Water Bottles**

180 stainless steel, reusable water bottles with The Power to Save logo have been purchased and paid for with a private grant. These water bottles are healthy for the environment. If you wish to purchase a water bottle contact Kristen Emerson at [emersons@charter.net](mailto:emersons@charter.net).
  - B. Adult Education – Peggy Fowler**

We are looking for volunteers. Please let MESPA know of anyone who would be interested in teaching a class to adults.
- VI. Committee Updates**
  - A. Banking – Patrice Pickering**

Banking starts on 11/7/08. They have enough volunteers and the volunteers have been trained. The first graders need to get signed up before they can participate.
  - B. Cultural – Tammy Austin**

Tammy filled out grants for Kaleidoscope and Len Cabral.
  - C. Fundraising – Peggy Fowler**
    - 1. Year-long fundraising**
      - a) Box Tops for Education – Kathy Stearman**

Kathy sent out 1,600 box tops, which equals \$161.
      - b) Campbell’s Labels for Education – Cindy Rainone**

No update.
      - c) Nestle Water – Go Play – Kari Pisano**

This will be discussed at the next meeting.
    - 2. Fall 2008**
      - a) Meadow Farms Catalog – Peggy Fowler**
        - i) Orders totalled \$8,900. MESPA received almost \$4,500. 116 students participated and five people sent in cash donations.
        - ii) Since no classes hit the 60% participation goal, no classes qualified for the pig race. A motion was made to modify the rules of this year’s fundraiser and revert to last year’s rules with Mrs. Tetreault’s approval. If Mrs. Tetreault approves this then the top selling class and the class with the top participation will be entered into the pig race. Miss Barrette’s class was the highest selling class of \$1,200 and Mrs. Cignoli’s class had the highest participation at 57% (\$847).

**b) Meat Raffle and Spaghetti Dinner – Julie Kearnan & Cristen Flanagan – 10/24/08**

- i) Julie and Cristen received donations for everything. The food was great and there was a lot of food left over.
- ii) The total profit to MESPA was \$2,638, which includes the \$200 profit from the meat raffle.

**3. Cash Donations – Kari Pisano**

This was tabled to the next meeting.

**4. Papa Gino’s Fundraiser and High School Musical 3 – Kari Pisano**

61 tickets were purchased for High School Musical 3. It will take a few weeks to get the total earned from Papa Gino’s.

**D. Recess – Michelle Belanger**

People are sending in games/equipment. Michelle will provide an update to MESPA.

**E. Yearbook – Kim Fuller**

Kim has the software.

**VII. Correspondence and Other Matters**

**A. BMEF**

BMEF thanked MESPA for sponsoring a hole. \$4,000 was raised.

**B. Full Day Kindergarten**

The School Committee has approved full day kindergarten and it is in the budget. The Towns of Blackstone and Millville have to vote on it at their meetings.

**VIII. Mrs. Tetreault’s Requests and Comments**

1. The third grade field trip was held on October 29 and they went to Plymouth Plantation. The fourth grade field trip will be on May 21 and they are going to Sturbridge. Two buses will be needed.
2. Mr. Isenberg is requesting \$350 for a ping pong club for the fifth graders with the starting timeframe of January - April. He is also requesting \$350 for a juggling club for the fourth and fifth graders with the starting timeframe of January - April. He is also requesting \$400 for the Bayside Skippers. This show is available for Pre-K through fifth grade and is scheduled for March 19. A motion was made to approve \$1,100 for the ping pong club, juggling club and Bayside Skippers with the provision that Mr. Isenberg try to obtain grant money for the Bayside Skippers.
3. Mrs. Dwyer is requesting a base xylophone with a moving cart. She provided two quotes: \$479 and \$690 for the xylophone and \$109 and \$59 for the cart with wheels. This request was tabled until the next meeting because this request is a lot of money and they want Mrs. Dwyer to try to pursue other avenues for obtaining funds.

**IX. Our next meeting is Thursday, December 4, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.**