Ames PTA Meeting Minutes

March 6, 2012

A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes from the February 3, 2012 Ames PTA meeting. The motion was approved.

Superintendent's Report, D96 Superintendent Dr. Jon Lamberson -

- Dr. Lamberson discussed the academic standing of District 96. Our district won the 2011 Bright Red Apple Award. Our ranking within the state is highly commendable.
- District 96 enrollment has increased 40% in the past ten years.
- While District 96 is a high performing district, our Operating Expense Per Pupil (OEPP) is relatively low at \$11,753.00 per student per year.
- Capital Improvements will begin in May, and Dr. Lamberson thanks everyone in advance for their patience and understanding.

Teacher's Report, Mrs. Tina Duve -

 Mrs. Duve thanked the PTA for the Amelia Earhart program and thanked everyone for their support during ISAT testing on behalf of all of the Ames' teaching staff.

<u>Principal's Report, Mrs. Colleen Lieggi</u> –

- Principal Lieggi also thanked the PTA for organizing the Amelia Earhart assembly and for supplying mints and gum during ISAT Testing.
- Mrs. Lieggi reported that Ames students seem to be having a positive test taking experience during ISATS this year.
- Space will be limited in District 96 this summer, so there will only be two summer school courses this year. A skill building course will be

- offered for grades 2-5 and a global learning course will be offered for grades 6-8.
- The Ames Talent Show will be held on June 7th at the North Riverside Commons with performances at 9:00 and 1:00. All students will bring their lunch and eat during the time in between shows.
- Principal Lieggi would like to remind all students that hats cannot be worn in school and must be removed before entering the building.

Officer's Report, Co-Presidents Lisa Freel and Lisa Hennelly -

- A fitness incentive will be offered to all Ames students for Raging Waves Water Park. Students reading 25 hours and completing the appropriate form will receive free entry to the water park.
- Spring Spirit Wear will be coming in April. New styles from a new vendor will be offered for purchase.
- Family Math Night will be held at Ames on April 11th at 6:30.
- Donuts With Dads will be held on a new date, Wednesday April 18th at 7:30 am.
- The Ames Book Fair will be held the same night as the Ames Open House, April 26th. The book fair will begin at 5:00 with the Open House beginning at 7:00. Both events conclude at 8:00 pm.
- "An Evening with Eric Rohmann" will be held at the Riverside Public Library on April 23rd. This storyteller is not to be missed!

The 2012/2013 Ames PTA Board Slate is as follows:

Co-Presidents: Lisa Hennelly and Tracey Hall

First Vice President of Fundraising: Lisa Swicionis

First Vice President of Education and Cultural Arts: Favio Gonzales

Second Vice President of Room Representatives: Maureen Dvorak

Second Vice President of Hospitality: Lisa Carlson

Treasurer: Tracey Stanard

Secretary: Michelle Holman Van Nice

Thank you to Lisa Swicionis for running our Market Day fundraising program and coordinating the Flying High and Chicago Steel fundraising events. Thank you to all of the Market Day helpers; to Michelle Bushe and Karen Shook for organizing School Spirit Wear and to all of the families who cut out, bagged and turned in Box Tops!

April Announcements:

Little Symphony at Hauser Wednesday, April 4th at 10:00

Ames Market Day orders due Thursday April 5th

Student Non-Attendance day Friday, April 6th

Ames School Supply Sale begins Monday, April 9th

5th to 6th grade parent orientation at Hauser Tuesday, April 10th

Ames Be Fit Ends Wednesday, April 11th

Ames Market Day pick up Wednesday, April 11th

Ames Family Math Night Wednesday, April 11th at 6:30

Ames PTA Meeting – Election of Officers Friday, April 13th at 8:45

Fifth Grade Games Night at Hauser Friday, April 13th at 6:30 to 8:30

Ames Donuts With Dads Wednesday, April 18th 7:30 to 8:15 a.m.

All District Band Concert at Hauser Wednesday, April 18th at 7:00

Ames Spirit Day/Bank at School Friday, April 20th

Ames Earth Day Clean-Up Friday, April 20th

All District Orchestra Concert Wednesday, April 26th at 7:00

Ames Open House Thursday, April 26th at 7:00

Ames Book Fair Thursday, April 26th at 5:00 – 8:00