

## Higgins PTO Meeting Notes

### February 2010

- Minutes from January meeting were accepted.
- **Treasury Report**- Ellen Gonick reviewed total deposits and total expenses and gave balance as of 2/24/10. PTO still owes QSP for prizes from the magazine drive, however four checks came in for deposit to balance out the amount owed.
- **Principal's message**- Mr. Bucey felt the February dance went well and a thanks to Randy for the entertainment. March 4<sup>th</sup> is parents night mark your calendar. Mr. Bucey received some feedback from parents and staff regarding a change in parent conferences for the fall of 2010. The change would consist of an open house in September, possibly 2 sessions, and parent conferences in October and March with one session for each. Still working on details. Any feedback contact Mr. Bucey at [buceyt@peabody.k12.ma.us](mailto:buceyt@peabody.k12.ma.us)
- **Fundraising**- Faculty vs. student basketball game postponed, date to be rescheduled. Possibly an ice skating night in March so look for notices. **Looking ahead** there will be an April 9<sup>th</sup> dance. Possibly a spring fundraiser selling cookie dough, will reevaluate PTO funds in the spring to see if one is necessary.
- **Craft Fair 2010- Looking for volunteers** to join the Craft fair committee. Kathi Syska has volunteered to oversee and assist with committee. Please contact us if you would be interested in joining at [higginspto@hotmail.com](mailto:higginspto@hotmail.com). We really need many volunteers to make this a success.
- **Cultural Update**- Kathi Syska reported that the 7<sup>th</sup> grade myth masters was a success and all enjoyed the program. 6<sup>th</sup> graders can look forward to Poetry Alive on March 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. 8<sup>th</sup> graders will have the pleasure of meeting the author Yoko Watkins on April 6<sup>th</sup>.
- **PAB**- No issues at Higgins. Grading system discussed for the elementary schools.
- **Guest Speakers**- Any ideas for guest speakers at our meetings, feel free to let us know.
- **Holiday Fund**- Received cards of thanks from the guidance office and receiving families.

- **Scholarship Committee-** Patty Nigleri organizing committee to read through applications from seniors at PVMHS for a Higgins scholarship. Contact the PTO if you are interested.
- **Need to contact us?** Send us an email at [higginspto@hotmail.com](mailto:higginspto@hotmail.com)
  
- **Check out our website-** Minutes for our meetings are on the Higgins website under PTO.
- **Next PTO Meeting-** Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. **Added bonus-** “Bring a friend that has never been” and pick a prize from our basket. **Come join us!!!**