

## LSA MEETING MINUTES – MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2011

- The meeting came to order at 6:30p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **Welcome and Overview**
  - The new board introduced themselves: Jen Harden, President; Kim Schrauf, Vice President; Amy Goletz, Treasurer and Millissa Brosch, Secretary.
- **Principal's Comments**
  - Mr. Miller said that Leroy Elementary was rated Excellent for the 8<sup>th</sup> consecutive year – we didn't receive the Excellent with Distinction ranking due to not showing enough growth from the previous year.
  - Changes at Leroy school since the budget cuts have been: Only one Intervention Specialist, One Art and Music teacher to share between all elementary buildings, we only receive a Library person on Wednesday of every other week, no bus passes will be issued due to crowded buses already.
  - ½ days during the school year will let out at 11:30a.m. with no P.M. Kindergarten.
  - October 10<sup>th</sup> the Game Craze will be at Leroy for the magazine fundraiser rewards.
- **Kid's Committee**
  - Teri Zito came to the meeting to speak on behalf of the Kid's Committee. The Kid's Committee is responsible for getting information out to the public regarding any upcoming levies. They are looking for volunteers to work the phone banks, polling stations and just to help get information out. Terri passed out a fact sheet regarding the Riverside School District and said more information is available at their website: [www.voteforriverside.org](http://www.voteforriverside.org). You can also sign up to volunteer at this website. Yard signs are available and pick up days and times are listed on their website. The committee meets every Monday at 5:30p.m. in the RHS Library and is open to anyone who wants to help. Following the most recent Kid's Committee meeting, Terri was able to tell us that the original 2.7mil cuts would have to be increased to 3.1mil if the levy fails. More information is available through their website.
  - To help with the cost of campaigning the Kid's Committee is asking for donations from all Riverside School District Organizations including the LSA. A motion was made by Kim Blaess, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Leslie Ferus to donate \$500 to the Kid's Committee. This will have to be sent out to all the members of the LSA for a vote. Remember that only LSA members can vote and if you still have not sent in your \$5 membership fee it's not too late.
- **New Business**
  - *Fall Festival* – Leslie still needs volunteers for the day, October 8<sup>th</sup> from 1p-4p or setup and cleanup. She's working with the teachers to have each class construct a scarecrow to be displayed at the festival. Leslie will also be doing a 50/50 and tickets are available in the office if you can't make that day.
  - *Teacher Wish Lists* – Every year the teachers make a list of things that they would like for the LSA to purchase. This year we are using an online version and will be opening it up to parents. You will be able to go on the website and see what your child's teacher needs. This is a great opportunity if you are looking for a holiday gift or just want to do something special. More information will be coming soon.
  - *Restaurant Fundraisers* – Our first one was a success. The manager at Boston Market said they have never had that big of a turn out for a school fundraiser. WAY TO GO LEROY! We will receive our portion of the sales in about 4 weeks and we will let you know the exact amount. CiCis Pizza will be our next one in November so watch for more information.
  - *New Fundraisers* – We will be doing a Father/Daughter dance in February, MyCokeRewards contest, and possibly a pancake breakfast at Applebee's. We will be doing a putt-putt golf event at Chips in Chardon on October 14<sup>th</sup>. More information will be coming soon.

- *Family Fun Nights* – Next one will be Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> which is the Rigatoni Dinner and as always carry out is available. Also looking at doing an ice skating night and looking for suggestions for a mother/son event.
- *Kids Stuff Books* – We will once again be doing this fundraiser but earlier this year so it will be in time for holiday shopping. Look for more information in October.
- *Welcome Committee* – Betsy Hammond has agreed to Chair this program. She will be a contact person for new families wanting to get involved in Leroy School.
- **Review and Approval of Budget**
  - Amy presented the budget and a motion for approval was made by Sam Brainard, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Leslie Ferus. All were in favor.
- **Memberships**
  - Millissa presented the membership status which has seen some decline every year. We are currently at about ½ the families. Membership is only \$5 for families. Millissa also stated that only those members can vote on bigger budgeted items, can chair an event, be classroom coordinators or come to classroom parties. Any questions regarding membership can be emailed through the LSA website.
- **Classroom Coordinators**
  - Congratulations to the following parents who were selected:
 

▪ Battung AM – Terri Snyder	Battung PM – Kathy Muntain
▪ Hopkins – Dawn Zivcic	Tommasetti – Lisa Miller
▪ Miller – Traci shantery	Vernick – April Kovalchuk
▪ Fisher – Hope Kaput	Stephens – Kelly Ryan
▪ Rini – Julie Gidley	Namestnik – Leslie Ferus
▪ Matejka – Jen Vojtas	Watson – Sam Brainard
  - Kim will meet with all the coordinators to go over duties and new changes for this year.
- **Standing Committees**
  - Box Tops contest going on now in each classroom. Summer reading program was a great success.
  - Calendar is finally off to print and will be available for all families soon.
  - Book fair proceeds were just over \$4000.00 with our profit being just over \$1000.00. Teachers were also given just over \$600 in Scholastic dollars so they were able to buy new books for the classes.
  - Giant Eagle's Apples for Education has about 238 registered members. Reminder that it can be anyone with a Giant Eagle card that registers not just a direct member of the student's family.
  - Chairs are needed for the following events: CoCo with HoHo and The Garden/Land Lab. Anyone interested should contact Jen Harden.
- With no further business the meeting concluded at 8:00p.m.