

## Walcott PTA Meeting Notes: September 12th 2011

I. The regular meeting of the Walcott PTA was called to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited at 4:00pm. There were 4 officers, 14 parents, and 7 faculty members present.

### II. Officers Reports:

- a. Secretary: Minutes were read and approved.
- b. Treasurers: Minutes were read and approved.

### III. Staff/Building Report:

- a. Dr. Goldstone reported that the new addition is on schedule and much progress has been made. The SCRA grant along with the IAD grant for an additional 6 smart boards has been completed.
- b. The **Walcott News Letter** will be available on the school website and will not be printed this year. Limited copies of the news letter will be available in the main office.
- c. The new air conditioning units have made the start of this school year much more comfortable and less chaotic.

### IV. Committee/Activity Report:

- a. **Parent Teacher Conference** teachers meals will be a joint project between PCN and PTA this year. Meals will be provided on Monday Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> from 4 to 8 and again on Wednesday Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> from 3 to 7. Tammy Weisrock and Jeanne Burnick will head the food committee.
- b. **Red Ribbon Week** this year will be under the control of the student counsel with funds contributed by the PTA.
- c. **Fun Night** this year will on November 18<sup>th</sup> in the main gym up the hall and in the cafeteria. October PTA meeting will focus on this with much more detail.
- d. **School Sign** We would like to thank Walcott Trust & Savings Bank, Bluegrass Savings Bank for their generous \$1,000 donation, Koehler Electric for donating all the electric to the sign, and the Athletic and Science Departments for donating over \$3,000 towards a need school sign.

- e. **School Technology** is our focus for this school year and will be our primary source for all funds raised this year. The Walcott PTA would like to thank I80 Truck stop for its very generous donation of \$3500 towards the purchase of a smart board. We look forward to working with Walcott Trust & Savings Bank and Bluegrass Savings Bank working towards our goal of improving school technology.

#### V. Staff Requests

- a. **Begin Today Right BTR** is a new before school program that helps keep the halls clear in the morning, provides arts and crafts, and even homework help. If you have any games, crafts, beads, ect. that you can donate please drop it off in the school office with a note stating it is for BTR.
- b. Mrs. Griffin has requested \$22 for the purchase of 44 3 prong pocket folders.
- c. Recess staff made a request for more footballs, soccer balls, and jump ropes.

#### VI. New Business

- a. Parents have expressed a need for an improved playground.
- b. Concerns were expressed over all the money needed for the school sign and if the money being used could be put to better use.
- c. Other fundraising ideas include “walk-a-thon” and a spring food sale.

#### DATE AND TIME CHANGES OF NOTE

- a. Next PTA meeting will be held on October 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.
- b. Fun Night will be on November 18<sup>th</sup>
- c. Movie Nights will be during the winter months this year.

The meeting was called to an end at 5:00