

GPA Meeting

September 14, 2011

In Attendance: Jim Costello, April LaBrecque, Brenda Hoschouer, Jen Durfey, Rene Ellinger, Joanne Fox, Jessica Ripley, Allison Suarez, Angela Sanctuary, Donalee Drohen

Current Treasury: \$6752.26

Officers: Jim Costello, acting president (position open). April LaBrecque, acting vice president (position open). Rene Ellinger, acting secretary (position open). Jennifer Durfey, treasurer. Anyone who is interested in the open officer positions, please speak to one of the existing officers. We would be happy to help you.

Harvest Fair: Again, efforts are under way to make our biggest fundraiser of the year a huge success. We need AS MUCH PARENTAL PARTICIPATION AS POSSIBLE! Please consider volunteering to cover a shift in the kitchen, or to make a pan of macaroni and cheese (pan, recipe and cheese are provided!) Or if you will be away, consider baking for the bake sale. Any effort you and your family can give goes a LONG WAY to benefit GPA and our school! Jennifer Durfey is the chairperson for the kitchen, but daily captains are needed to make sure things run smoothly. Please contact Jennifer if you are willing and able to captain a day for her. It is quite easy, and you will not be without support of those who have done it for years! PLEASE try to help out! Sign-up sheets for kitchen shifts and macaroni and cheese will be available at both Open Houses, or contact Jennifer (0944) to be put on the list.

We discussed the basket raffle. Instead of trying to incorporate it into the Harvest Fair again this year, we decided to do a Spring Auction sometime in March. We will again do theme baskets, along with a silent auction for donated items from various businesses. Jessica Ripley and Donalee Drohen will be working together to coordinate this event. Any ideas to make it fun and exciting are welcome. Bring your ideas to these ladies, or bring them to our next meeting! **(October 5th at 6pm)**

Our Email list is undergoing an overhaul. If you know of someone who would like to receive our updates and monthly newsletter, please contact Rene Ellinger (renekev@comcast.net). If you would like to be removed from this email list, please let Rene know. Thank you.

Voting: Mrs. Haftmann requested \$950.00 to cover half the cost of the 5th, 6th and 7th grade field trips to Wilderness Experiences (5/6) and the Granville State Forest (7). Unanimous: YES

Remember, you, as a GVS parent or guardian are a member of our organization. There is no requirement to "join" our team! We are a committed group of parents/guardians of GVS students who take pride in our efforts to raise much needed funds to support our staff and students. Through our efforts, your children enjoy field trips, a fantastic field day, Wright Flight, Secret Santa shop, teacher's supply requests and many other essential programs the school budget doesn't allow for. Please consider attending our monthly meetings, which are held the first Wednesday of each month, at 6pm, in the school cafeteria. Babysitting is provided at each meeting, and meetings run an hour or so. Join us and be a part of the good we are doing.