

## PTA meeting minutes - January 8, 2008

In attendance: 16 members including Meg Mason, Vision 2015, Rob Resigno

Voted in October minutes – Jason Mycoff / Amy Marcheski

**Treasurers Report -** We have: \$20,622 in checking, \$3,051 in money market, Total \$23,673. We have projected another \$23,220 in expenses, another \$6,124 in income; existing cash 20,622 + Future Income 6,124 = 26,746. \$26,746 in income minus, \$23,220 in expenses, \*Leaves \$3,526 to carry over to next year which is \$474 shy of our \$4,000 goal. We will also be giving \$89 to 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade Math Olympiad and \$160 to 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade math league. Motioned in by Val Halfen and Anada Dakin. All in favor. To bring our balance back up (need \$723) we are looking into additional fundraiser nights, possibly 5 Below, Perkins, Red Robin or Friendly's.

### **Guest Speaker – Rob Rescigno from Vision 2015 –**

Vision 2015 demonstrates an unprecedented commitment by Delaware to address the most urgent issues of our time: securing a high-quality education for every child in the state by the year 2015. Led by a 28-person Steering Committee with advice from several hundred teachers, principals, students and lay citizens, this collaborative effort will create real opportunity for today's students to future generations to come. See [www.vision2015delaware.org](http://www.vision2015delaware.org) for more information or for your own newsletter to get updates on the progress.

**Reflections –** Caryn Duca – Scheduled for Friday January 25<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8:00.

Please come see the creations of our Maclary students displayed in the cafeteria.

**Yearbook –** Caryn – If anyone has pictures or picture files they would like to submit to possibly be in the yearbook, send them to [cjjzi@netscape.net](mailto:cjjzi@netscape.net). We must have the yearbook submitted by 3/5 so we're guaranteed on-time delivery. Order forms coming soon.

**Fundraiser Update –** Caryn - We will keep with Katherine Beich unless a new suggestion is presented to take the place of the largest fundraiser of the school year. A spring fundraiser will take place – *Display My Art* – that will offer items to order that are your child's hand-made art. Creations and drawings are being done in art class now and siblings at home are encouraged to send in their art (from home) so parents can order theirs as well! more info to come...

CHANGE FOR MACLARY BEGINS FEBRUARY 11TH !

**Teacher Appreciation –** December luncheon was a success. Teachers were very appreciative. Each month we will continue to do something special for our teachers, building up to Teacher Appreciation Week in May. If you have a suggestion as to what we can do for the teachers, please email Val Halfen [gracevalhal@yahoo.com](mailto:gracevalhal@yahoo.com).

**Book Fair Update** - Doug Lambe –Book Fair kick-off on Thursday January 24<sup>th</sup> for teachers (Teacher Preview Day) and open to students beginning Friday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. It will run daily from 8:15am to 3pm with evening hours on Jan 25<sup>th</sup> 5-6:30 and on the 31<sup>st</sup> during Maclary Movie Night. Volunteers are needed for all shifts. Please contact Doug at [dlambe2@gmail.com](mailto:dlambe2@gmail.com) to sign up!

There will be a special contest to bring in change on certain days in order to help some of our local children who cannot afford to buy new books.

**Co-Secretary volunteer** -Amy Marcheski – Wanda Lopez graciously stepped up and offered to assist me in the event I cannot make a meeting or prepare the meeting documents in early March. Thank you, Wanda ☺

**Assembly for MAD SCIENCE Program** - Wanda Lopez – Two assemblies will be held on February 11<sup>th</sup> at Maclary to encourage students to sign up for a Mad Science program hosted after school. It will run 6 weeks and the cost is \$69. Registration forms will go home after the assembly and will be due February 18<sup>th</sup>. Clubs will begin February 26<sup>th</sup> and run weekly through April 26<sup>th</sup>.

What is Mad Science?

We are the world's leader in fun science for children! Founded in Montreal, Canada in 1985, Mad Science offers you the benefit of over a decade of experience in educating and entertaining millions of children. Designed as a creative educational supplement for children in K to 6th grades, Mad Science's Programs are a great way to provide a stimulating hands-on science experience to students, while meeting curriculum standards. Through Mad Science, your students will be able to touch, see, hear, smell and taste what science is really all about

**Next PTA meetings:** Thursday, February 7<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>

**Important Dates to remember:**

January –

- 21<sup>st</sup> – NO SCHOOL – MLK day
- 24<sup>th</sup> – Maclarion deadline
- 25<sup>th</sup> – Reflections Award Ceremony 6:30
- 25<sup>th</sup> through February 4<sup>th</sup> – BOOK FAIR !
- 31<sup>st</sup> – Movie Night at Maclary

February –

- 1<sup>st</sup> – NO SCHOOL (Parent conferences)
- 4<sup>TH</sup> – NO SCHOOL
- 11<sup>TH</sup> – Change for Maclary begins
- 18<sup>TH</sup> – NO SCHOOL (Presidents Day)

Thanks for taking the time to read our PTA minutes ~~

Amy Marcheski