

PTA Meeting Minutes for December 15, 2011

Present: Rebecca Fixel, Alyse Nathans, Cindy Handmaker, Mzrai Davis, Shireen Chafetz, Andrea Mail Nancy Davis, Gabrielle Bubis, Melissa Garber, Naida Gould, Ilene Bomser, Karina Jeifez, Andy Raitt, Lois Tompkins, Rabbi Olitzky, Michelle Grossman

Approve minutes from 10/11/11 meeting: Motions by Cindy Handmaker and Andrea Mail

I. President's Report, Rebecca Fixel

Chai Family Fun Run was 11/6/11 - we made \$9,000 profit and main purchase will be new BPA-free trays and utensils to replace styrofoam used for student lunches. Thanks to Bobby Handmaker for getting these for us at the best rate. Chanukah celebration at JJC will be 12/21 at night and we need volunteers for running games and decorating. Father Daughter dance will be 1/29/12, 4-6 p.m. – theme will be “Hollywood” – volunteers needed. Day School-wide Chanukah party 12/16 at 2:30 p.m. Update on 50th Anniversary celebration: 4 different events during May 4-6th – (1) Saturday services and Kiddush with Gaffney and Brit Hinuch awards, (2) Sat. night alumni adult party, (3) Sunday Family Fun Day fully sponsored by PTA (would like to use the grounds and have small –scale family fun run?), (4) Sunday night Gala. Next planning meetings are in Jan. Invitations will encourage alumni to tour school Friday or Monday. Teacher holiday gifts – Alyse and Rebecca will organize money and gifts to be given out tomorrow (last day before Winter Break).

II. Programming, Andrea Mail

Looking for Chairs and outside-the-building ideas for Kaleidoscope Day. Idea from Rebecca F. – tour recycling plant and make art with recycled material, possibly join with JJC “Green Team.”

III. Preschool, Cindy Handmaker for Shereen Canady

Preschool needs a new oven and would like PTA funds to help. Discussion about sending this request to JJC Board because all schools use this kitchen for various activities.

IV. Religious School, Lois Tompkins

Thank you for Chanukah bags. Looking forward to Tu B'shvat dates to make sure RS is included.

V. Discussion

Michelle Grossman, on behalf of library. They need volunteers each week to maintain her organization efforts between librarians. Cindy Handmaker will email room mom's asking for volunteers. Also need funds for supplies, but we need a detailed list with costs. Our new librarian is Karin Hallett.

Respectfully submitted,

Alyse S. Nathans