

Armstrong/Bolin Parent Club
Meeting Minutes
November 16, 2012

Members Present: **President** - Mandy McMahon
Vice President - Rene Rosiak
Secretary - Mischa Waller
Director of Membership - Jackie Brooks
Historian - Jennifer Bond

- I. Mandy McMahon called the meeting to order at 6:32pm
- II. **Pledge:** Mandy McMahon led the room in the pledge of allegiance.
- III. **Correspondence:** No Correspondence to report
- IV. **Financial Statement:** Michelle Magarity not present for report.
- V. **Christmas Parties:** Mischa Waller will be looking into an alternate snack for the classroom parties for Christmas. A pre-packed item such as Rice Krispy Treats or Gold Fish may be provided instead of the Chocolate Chip cookies. Michelle Magarity will pick up bottled water for both schools.
- VI. **Committee Reports:**
 1. **New Spirit Sales** – Rene Rosiak proposed trialing a new company for Spirit Sales. Rene showed teachers and parents that were present a few items that would be available for purchase. Overall response was that we should go forward with the new company. Ten percent of sales will be profited for the Parent Club.
 2. **Fall Fundraiser** – Rene Rosiak reported that the Limo Lunch will be November 19th from 11-1pm at Firehouse Pizza in East Peoria. Parent volunteers are still needed to help supervise during lunch, contact her if available. Prizes will be sent home Tuesday with the students. The Magic Show will also be held on Tuesday, November 20th for ALL students at both Armstrong and Bolin. Front row seating will be provided for students that sold 20 plus items and an encore presentation will be held for students that sold 25 + items. Showing times are tentatively set for 12:45pm at Armstrong and 2:15 for Bolin. Final totals are still being tallied as there is still money to be turned in by some students/parents. Thank you for your continued support.
 3. **Directory** – Mandy McMahon reported that the Directory had been finalized and sent home with students.
 4. **Fall Book Fair** – Mandy McMahon reported that the Fall Book Fairs were very successful and had good turnouts. \$3867.00 in total sales were made at the Armstrong Book Fair with a profit of approximately \$504.00 and \$782.00 in Scholastic Dollars. Final totals will be reported by Jenny Wallace at the next Parent Club Meeting. There was also a great turnout for Muffins with Mom and Donuts with Dad. Thank you to all who came out.
 5. **By Laws** – Jackie Brooks proposed new changes made to the Parent Club By Laws. A meeting was held with Jackie, Mr. Atterberry, Mr. Bramer and Mr. Davidson to go over the By Laws prior to tonight's meeting. Copies were distributed to the teachers and parents present for review. No changes were suggested at this time. Approval will be proposed at the January meeting.

VII. New Business:

1. \$10 Drawing for Attendance at Meetings – Courtney Stenger was the winner of the \$10 Gift Card. Congratulations. Please continue to come out and support your Parent Club and encourage others to attend as well. Our goal and theme this year is to “Pack the House”.

VIII. Old Business:

1. **Silent Auction** – Rene is planning a meeting for the upcoming Silent Auction. Date and time TBD.
2. **December Newsletter** – The December Parent Club newsletter is being worked on by Mischa Waller. If there is anything that you would like to include, please contact her.

IX. Unfinished Business: None.

X. Principal Reports:

Bolin- Mr. Lowery thanked all of the Dads for a great turnout to Donuts with Dad. It was a very nice event. He did propose that we consider hosting the event on a Friday morning to accommodate work schedules and increase potential turnout. Limo lunch and Magic Show will be next for Bolin Student. Prizes for the Fall Fundraiser will be sent home on Tuesday. MAP testing will be the first week of December. This is a very important test for 4th grade students as this is used to help determine placement into 5th grade enriched classes. December 13th will be the 5th grade band concert at CJHS. The Christmas Program will also be held that night at the Junior High. December 21st will be the last day of school prior to break. Hearing and Vision testing will be held the first day back in January followed by Cognitive testing the 2nd week of January. A wonderful job was done on the “Mock Election” by Mr. Schulze, Mrs. Espe and the students that participated. A total of 53 kids spoke in front of a large body of students as well as additional media coverage. Mr. Unes and Mr. Mingus also spoke to the students that day and encouraged the students. Turnout for Parent Teacher Conferences was 94% for Bolin.

Armstrong – Mr. Minasian reported that there was a Literacy Incentive for students that met reading goals for November. Names of students were drawn to be “Helpers of the Day”. For the quarterly incentive students were able to choose a book. Turnout for Parent Teacher Conferences were about 95% for Armstrong. Thank you to all of the parents who came out to meet with their child’s teachers. Muffins with Moms was a huge success at Armstrong, turnout was wonderful. Midterms will be sent home on November 28th. The Can Food Drive is the first week of December, more information will be sent home. December 10th students will be visiting Riverview Nursing Home to sing Christmas Carols. December 14th will be a SIP day with early dismissal and December 17th will be AIMS testing. A Grant written by Courtney and Cheryl was approved providing them with \$1500.00 towards costs of a 2-day conference/workshop for Math and Reading. Congratulations to them! Operation Christmas Child, led by Mrs. Zobrist was very successful this year. They surpassed their goal! The East Peoria Courier came to the school to do a write up and take pictures. Thank You to all who donated towards this cause.

Mandy McMahon made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mischa Waller seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:52pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Mischa R.Waller, Secretary