

November 17, 2015 @ 7pm

Board Members Present: Amy Lapsis, Madison Day, Shannon Sion and June Burns-Seeley  
Staff Members Present: Dr. James Palmer, Principal and Deb Drew, Staff Liaison  
Others Present: Cathy May, Dori Ramsdell, Garrett Kernozicky, Kelly Robidas,  
Allison Altieri, Jennifer Caneira

### CALL TO ORDER

Madison Day called the meeting to order at 7:05pm

### WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

#### Special Guest Presentation – Virginia Walton

Introduced the *Food: Too Good To Waste* program and will provide more information for us to distribute to families.

### APPROVAL OF OCTOBER MINUTES

Motion:

*Garrett Kernozicky moves to approve the October 6, 2015 minutes. Jen Caneira seconds and the motion passed unanimously.*

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dr. Palmer provided the following report:

- Expressed thanks to Amy Lapsis and Madison Day for attending the BOE meeting hosted at Vinton, they made us look great with all the events and happenings at Vinton.
- 11/20 Vinton Thanksgiving Feast – it will be our 16<sup>th</sup> year of this event
- 11/23 (AM) & 11/24 (PM) Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Half days all three days of thanksgiving week
- 11/30 Picture re-take day
- 11/30 Trestle tree to arrive

### STAFF REPORT

Deb Drew provided the following report:

- Staff is busy

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Madison Day & Amy Lapsis provided the following report:

- Approximately 90 volunteers for setup, serving and clean-up, table cloths are in and email went out to all volunteers
- Food Drive during Thanksgiving week hosted by the Sunshine committee runs until 11/24. Dori and Kelly volunteered to coordinate drop off of the donations
- Adopt-a-family – collecting for 3 Mansfield families this year; 5 children. Amy & Allison to coordinate stars for the bulletin board. Delivery date is 12/12. Jen to help with stars during the day. Possible idea for next year is to also include a Senior from the Mansfield Senior Center.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Shannon Sion provided the following report:

- Our donated bench for the community playground is in place but no plaque is on it but we are listed in the donors list

### **FUNDRAISERS CHAIR REPORT**

Kelly Robidas provided the following report:

- Photo profit about the same as last year
- Yankee Candle fundraiser had 34 families participate and the profit was about the same as the fundraiser in the spring
- Gift Card program flyer will go out 11/19, due back 12/4, items will be delivered 12/10 or 12/11
- Box Tops about 500+ submitted to date
- Campbells 15,000 points was decided to save them for the gift cards rather than use them on product
- Direct giving campaign flyer will go out the second week in December

### **OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Fall Book Fair – during the week of Parent/Teacher Conferences, setup will be 11/19/15. Jen Caneira still looking for a few volunteers and needs start-up cash which Shannon will provide.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Harlem Wizards are coming as our tri-school event!!!! Monday 1/18 at E.O. Smith HS, 6:30pm. Need staff volunteers to 'play', others to help with concessions, and coordination of the event. More information to come regarding ticket sales and other opportunities to help with this event.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:35pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 8 @ 7pm.

Respectfully submitted,

June M. Burns-Seeley  
Secretary, Vinton PTA