

**Abingdon Elementary School  
PTA Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2005**

1. Introduction of this year's PTA leadership by Tina Mascianogioli, Vice President and Colleen Weiser, Treasurer. Also, introduced JoLynn Lopez, PTA/Secretary.
2. PTA mission is to help support educators and students with planned activities this year. PTA will be communicating with parents, students and Abingdon staff through Cardinal Courier. PTA will meet 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month. No meeting schedule for the month of December. Volunteer sign up sheets were passed out during the meeting for attendance record, the upcoming Fall Fundraiser (BELIEVE), Fall School Pictures and National PTA Reflections program.
3. Colleen presented the highlights from last year's event and summary of End of Year financial report. In the 2005-2006 SY started with approx. \$5131. 00.
4. Colleen introduced the proposed 2005-2006 SY budget for Abingdon PTA. The starting balance from previous year is \$5131. A copy of the budget Budget breakdown of total expenses and income can be obtained from Colleen Weiser, Treasurer.
5. Vote was taken from the general PTA membership; the 2005-2006 PTA Budget was passed. Nobody opposed.
6. Current issues and upcoming events/activities:
  - PTA membership drive will be continued through end of October. JoLynn will get Teacher membership forms out by October 8<sup>th</sup>. Membership forms to parents will dropped twice by the end of October.
  - Back-to-school picnic was a success. A special thanks to all the volunteers who help with the picnic. 4<sup>th</sup> grade raised \$75.00; 5<sup>th</sup> grade raised \$380.00. After expenses, PTA also raised a \$285.00 even though the event was intended more as a community building function vs. a fundraiser.
  - Retail sign ups – Tina will send out post cards to remind parents to renew with (Giant, Safeway/Harris Teeter/Target). Also, we will try to send a flyer home in the Tuesday folder to remind parents to sign up.
  - BELIEVE fundraiser will kick off October 11<sup>th</sup> through October 28<sup>th</sup>. JoLynn will coordinate with CNN 49 to help promote this fundraiser. Information will go home via Tuesday folder October 11<sup>th</sup>. Students will also receive BELIEVE wristbands as an incentive to sell items.
7. Teacher Liaisons: Kristy Nienstadt, Andrew Wojciechowski ("WoJo") and Kerry Brown.
  - Strong supporters of the PTA
  - Liaisons also run the Y.E.S. Club, Cardinal Network News (CNN) 49.

- Kristy introduced "Library Night" Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 6pm – 8pm. Abingdon Library has received a \$5000 grant. Library night is free and will be once a month, families will enjoy pizza, magic, check out books, door prizes. Kristy will provide info on future dates.
  - 5<sup>th</sup> grade will kick off coupon book fundraiser November 2 – 16.
  - Y.E.S Club has supported the homeless shelter (Columbia Pike) for that last 4 years. Y.E.S Club is going to host a Mini Walk for the homeless. They would like to add PTA name to this event. Students can donate any dollar amount. Student will walk the track. Shelter will receive money from Fannie Mae for this event. Mr. Wojciechowski will get more information to PTA.
8. Joanne Uyeda, Principal is proud to announce that Abingdon Elementary has made AYP (Annual Yearly Progress). She has introduced Abingdon's new Assistant Principal John Koutsoutikis. Reminder that parent/teacher conferences are on October 6<sup>th</sup> and October 7<sup>th</sup> – No school for students.

Parents reminded that next meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2005. Meeting ended at 7:30 p.m.