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**Karigon Parent Teacher Association Membership Meeting
November 18, 2009
Karigon Media Center**

Call to order. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Unit President Tammy Learn.

Quorum establishment. Quorum was established by Ms. Learn.

Minutes. Minutes being previously distributed, Ms. Learn requested waiver of reading of the minutes and called for amendments. Several amendments were offered; minutes were accepted as amended.

Reports of Officers, Boards, Standing and Special Committees.

1. President. The President's report was presented by Tammy Learn. Regarding Odyssey of the Mind, Ms. Learn advised the Unit would not be fielding a Grades K-2 team, concentrating only on the competitive program with Grades 3-5. A volunteer to represent the Unit for the purposes of concession operations was sought. The Binky Patrol was recently renamed, so as to separate from the national program and to provide a hometown feel. Sue Bohling discussed the manner and operation of the Project operation. Ms. Learn also discussed proceedings of a recently held executive committee meeting, emphasizing possible additional fundraising events. Her presentation concluded with discussion of various upcoming conferences, legislative briefs, updates for the bulletin board and the need to increase numbers for items distributed by homeroom.
2. Vice President. The Vice President's report was presented by Tracy Margiotta. Ms. Margiotta discussed the various membership drive efforts recently undertaken and advised committee chairs were still being sought for Kaleidoscope and Spring Fundraiser.
3. Treasurer. The Treasurer's report was presented by Jenn Collazo. The Unit's financial situation was outlined. Overall, fundraising has decreased in comparison with previous years. A spreadsheet identifying revenues and expenses was distributed. Changes to the budget were considered, with a reduction in funding to Arts in Education (\$1,200.00) and Arbor Day (\$250.00) being moved by Sue Bohling, seconded by Lisa Burkhammer. Carried.
4. Recording Secretary. No report was given.
5. Corresponding Secretary. No report was given.
6. Board of Education. Board of Education members Mary Wiggins and Mary Blaauboer were recognized as present but declined to provide a report.

7. Principal. The Principal's Report was presented by Greg Wing. Mr. Wing advised of District participation in a conference regarding learning communities, a recent safety drill wherein Skano children were brought to Karigon, attendance being returned to normal and attendance at Bring Your Parent To School Day. He also advised the Fifth Grade Peer Mediation training was scheduled for this upcoming Friday and that the Partnership Team was scheduling another FBI cybersafety presentation for early 2010.
8. Teacher Liaison. The Teacher's Liaison report was presented by Kathy Palmieri. Two major items were discussed: support for common learning time for staff and concerns regarding distribution of frozen food items from the fundraiser.
9. Delegate to Council. The Delegate to Council report was presented by Heather Lombardo. Ms. Lombardo advised all units voted to participate in Odyssey of the Mind, that the District Council Special Education Committee requires a Karigon representative and that the next District Council meeting was scheduled for January 11, 2010.
10. Yearbook. The Yearbook Committee report was presented by Ann Roe. Ms. Roe requested pictures from school and special events be e-mailed to her attention at amr@nycap.rr.com.
11. Cultural Arts. The Cultural Arts Committee report was presented by Heather Lombardo. Ms. Lombardo requested approval to fund three events (See attached, Request). Moved by Ann Roe; seconded by Sue Bohling. Carried.
12. Almost March Madness. The Almost March Madness Committee report was presented by Tammy Learn. Ms. Learn advised the school was allocated 600 tickets for sale. As the unit's expenses would be limited, it was hoped the event would be a fundraiser. The major expenses would be for transportation and security. To alleviate parking concerns and increase safety, attendees will be transported from elementary school parking lots to the facility. A request to expend \$600.00 was moved by Jenn Collazo and seconded by Heather Lombardo. Carried.
13. KPT. No report was provided.
14. Reflections. The Reflections Committee report was presented by Lisa Burkhammer. Ms. Burkhammer advised the program had 21 entries from Karigon. She requested consideration of future integration of the program into curriculum to further increase participation and interest.

Old Business. Ms. Learn advised of the results of the unit's canvas regarding New York State PTA Resolutions.

Adjournment. President Learn adjourned the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

Minutes presented by Robert Williams, Recording Secretary

**KARIGON CULTURAL ARTS COMMITTEE
REQUEST FOR FUNDS
NOVEMBER 2009**

ACTIVITY/ PERFORMER	DESCRIPTION	CLASS/ GRADE	DATE	COST NOT TO EXCEED
The Schenectady Planetarium	“Secret of the Stars” show at the Planetarium and self-tour of the museum	2nd Grade	February 11, 2010	\$510.00
Theatre Trip @ the Egg	“I Have A Dream” by Theatre IV America: The impact of Dr. King’s life is chronicled through this dramatic performance	5th Grade	January 28, 2010	\$800.00
Living Voices	“The New American” Correlates w/ Immigration Day—“a living illustration of immigration for study to enjoy while learning”	4th Grade	June 16, 2010	\$900.00