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## JANUARY MEETING NOTES

The January meeting was held on January 5, 2006.

**Present:** Gail Klanchesser, Sharon Brown, Sue Carroll, Michele Anderson, Marile Downey

### **Treasurer's Report:**

We have \$11,287 in checking. Of this, \$5,450 is earmarked for future playground improvements or equipment. We have \$3538 in savings. We received a check yesterday for \$92 from Boxtops4education.

### **Fundraising:**

We sold about 60 Newington Old Town Hall ornaments. Some families are buying one for each child to take with them when they eventually are on their own. We still have plenty available at \$12 apiece!

The Krispy Kreme sale we were hoping to run at the time of Town Meeting is up in the air. The closest Krispy Kreme store is now 70 miles away. Since they deliver to the Newburyport Shaws, Sue Carroll has a call in to that shop to see if we can pick up the donuts there.

The Little Caesar's fundraising kits will be coming home soon. We plan to have the items delivered in February. Look for details in a couple of weeks!

There were oohs and ahhs over the Boston Coffee Cake company coffee cakes that other schools sold this fall. We'll consider selling them in November 2006.

### **Scheduled Programs:**

We are still looking for someone to run the child care during the 2006 Town Meeting in March. Please contact Gail Klanchesser or email NSS if you would like to help with this or any other projects.

School Spirit Week is April 3<sup>rd</sup> to the 7<sup>th</sup>. We hope to have Newington Public School clothing in by then. We plan to take orders in February. Gail will call Larry Wahl to set up the school dance for 4/7/06.

### **Other:**

No response has come from the school board about the sign or the Greenland vs. Portsmouth question. Gail and Cara Walker will go to the January school board meeting.

**Postnotes to the meeting:**

Gail and Marile Downey attended the School Board meeting on January 10<sup>th</sup>. We had a productive conversation with school board and an informational letter about the Portsmouth Middle School should be coming home within the next few months. Helen Rist will hold a Coffee with the Principal as well to discuss any questions or concerns that parents may have about PMS. One item that has been discussed is the transition our students make from NPS to PMS. Parent questions and feedback would be great at the Principal's coffee to make it more informative for everyone. We also hope to be meeting with a representative from the school board shortly to discuss the design and location of the sign.

**NEXT BOXTOPS SUBMISSION IS FEBRUARY!** We recently received a check for \$92 from boxtops. Please send in any boxtops you have clipped by Thursday February 24<sup>th</sup>. A great thank you to the parents who have already sent in their boxtops and to our neighbors who have dropped them off at the Langdon Library!

Want to know more about the school budget or how 'cost per pupil' is not calculated by dividing the school budget by the number of students in the school? Attend the next Coffee with the Principal on Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am. Helen Rist will provide an overview of the proposed school budget for next year and answer parents' questions. Refreshments, and of course coffee, will be served.

You can show your support for the school budget by attending the budget committee meeting on the school budget on Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm. A public hearing on all town department budgets and the school budget will be on Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. Both meetings will be held at the Newington Town Hall

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!**

**COFFEE WITH THE PRINCIPAL TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, AT 8:30AM!**

**SCHOOL BUDGET MEETING WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, AT 7 PM AT THE TOWN HALL!**

**NEXT NEWINGTON SCHOOL SUPPORTERS MEETING IS  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, AT 8:30AM!**

**WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**