

Franklin Middle School PTA

Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2009

I. Call to order

Maggie Avedisian called to order the regular meeting of the **Franklin Middle School** at **9:40 a.m.** on **February 10, 2009** in the FMS Library.

II. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Copies of the minutes from the January 13, 2009 meeting were distributed. The minutes were approved as read.

III. New Business

- a) Maggie Avedisian introduced the guest speakers: Kathy Smith-school board member and Ted Velkoff –CHS PTSA president. She congratulated Mrs. Eisenberg and all of Franklin on receiving the Governor's Award for Excellence in Education.
- b) Principal's Comments: Mrs. Eisenberg spoke about the criteria in academics required to be selected to receive the Governor's award. She will be traveling to Richmond on Monday, the 16th to receive the award from the Governor. A letter will be going home with students today about the proposed start time changes. There is an impact survey on-line at www.fcps.edu that should be filled out by parents. Tickets go on sale tomorrow for the musical Annie to be performed at Franklin- Feb. 25, 26, 27, and 28th.
- c) Ted Velkoff- CHS PTSA president spoke about the achievements of the PTSA at Chantilly High School and encouraged continued involvement in the PTA at the high school level.
- d) Kathy Smith- School Board Member for Sully District gave a thorough presentation that included: proposed budget cuts and facts, the new grading scale, the new proposed start times for all schools, and the administrative office consolidation proposal. For up to the minute information on the budget she recommends going to the website of FCPS and click on the link for School Board. She encouraged involvement in the proposed time changes by filling out the survey, attending the community meetings and by emailing the school board. All the information presented by Kathy Smith as well as documents of the Impact Study and Transportation Task force are on the School Board's website. Parents are encouraged to access the website at www.fcps.edu and click on the link for the School Board.

IV. Committee Report

- a) Nayle Smith, Landscape Chair- requested any suggestions for future landscaping projects and may hold work sessions for service hours sometime in the first 2 weeks of March.
- b) Jeanette Townsend, FMS, PTA VP-8th grade- spoke about the planning process for the 8th grade event. The date is set for June 16th afterschool and all 8th graders are included and will be able to ride the late buses home. Planning still in progress and volunteers and chairs are needed.

IV. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at **10:45 a.m.**

Minutes submitted by: Mina Vasquez