

## **IPP Morningside Minutes November 1, 2010**

### **Announcements and Updates**

- The bake sale from the Halloween party generated \$75.00. Thanks to everyone who participated!
- Lunchtime hours have been addressed and moved back accordingly.
- Language lesson handouts available soon.
- First parent Education Seminar is January 23, 2010 and the topic will be “Bringing School Home”. More information to follow as the date nears.
- Please check the No-Photo list in your classroom before posting any photos of classmates on public web domains. Parents positions on this subject can be changed on the website in their account information.
- 5k classes will be available next year at IPS – MS.
- Ande met with an environmental service, Enviro-Cure to assess air quality at the school. They will be getting to her with results and she will keep parents informed. The sewer smell outside of the school is a City of Atlanta and Halpern issues and they have been made aware if the complaints.
- Volunteers who have experience writing or researching grants are currently being sought out. Please contact Ande if you have any background in this area.
- Teacher Appreciation breakfast will take place on November 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM.
- Winter Pageant will take place on December 15, 2010 from 5:30PM – 7:30PM at Jones Hall in the VaHi campus. The theme is “The Night Sky”. Grandparents can be invited, as we should have plenty of room.

### **Committee News**

#### Facilities and Technology -

- As of now we are waiting to hear the best options from contractors about leveling the ground for the playground. Once this is established we will be able to keep parents informed about a timeline for completing the project. Currently, students play with balls, chalk, hoops, and pretend play and are kept indoors in the big room on rainy days.
- Spruce Day is Saturday, November 13 from 9AM – 1 PM. Sign up sheets are located on bulletin boards outside of the classrooms. There are take-home projects if you are unable to participate on Saturday. We had one parent at the meeting volunteer to watch children so that two parents can participate. This job could be split in shifts so if it is something you are interested in, please contact Traci.

#### Treasurer/Fundraising –

- Christa has volunteered to be Head of Auction from MS campus. The Auction theme is “Away We Go” and is travel related. Big-ticket items are encouraged with the emphasis being on quality not quantity. Call in

your favors if you have any! The next auction meeting is November 23 and a reminder will be sent out with location and time.

- In conjunction with Barnes and Noble Edgewood, we will be having a book fair on December 5. 10% of all sales on this day with accompanying coupon will come back to IPS. This will apply to in store and on line items. There may be a possible add-on date for Dec. 6 so stay tuned and stock up on holiday gifts,
- The Amazon link on the website is working. Please use it and refer it to friends and family. Tiffany is also working on links with Walmart.com and iTunes. We will send out an email blast that parent can forward.
- The DONATE button on the website is also up and running and all donations from this button will go towards the playground.
- Fundraising Committee is looking at Flower Power, a bulb selling opportunity with 50% of funds coming back to IPS. Other ideas being considered are a Yard Sale, and a Tot Trot. The Tot Trot is a picnic/run taking place on May 21 with more information to come. There is also a spare change drive taking place this month. Pennies For the Playground Jars are being placed in each classroom and the room with the most money at the end of the month wins a pizza party.

Thanks to all for coming out!