

**MT. BETHEL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
PTA General Meeting**

March 6, 2008

Co-presidents Jane Fox and Cindy Nichols called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

The Flag Ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance were presented by Tiger Cub Scouts Den # 4, Pack 797.

The inspiration was given by Physical Education teacher, Ms. Pat Ziegman, who shared the poem, "A Pair of Muddy Sneakers". Cindy Nichols acknowledged Ms. Ziegman for being honored as the Jump Rope for Heart Coordinator of the Year for the state of Georgia.

Kim Arasin, Secretary, reported that the minutes from the February 7, 2008 General Meeting had been posted and approved; therefore the reading of the minutes was waived.

Jennifer Karl distributed the current Profit & Loss Statement. No further report was given.

Jane Fox and Cindy Nichols welcomed everyone. Jane Fox reported that the Book Swap this week has been very successful with approximately 3000 books collected. A portion of the books will be donated to our sister school, Powers Ferry Elementary. Jane also reported on two upcoming events: the Town Hall Meeting on health and nutrition to be held April 17 at Sope Creek Elementary and Exceptional Child Awareness Week coming up March 17 – 21 with many awareness activities planned.

Membership Minute – Cindy Nichols reported that Mt. Bethel PTA has met all of the membership goals for the year and has received several Awards of Distinction. Anyone new to the school can join the PTA through the blog. Cindy also reminded the group of the many discounts available at local merchants with the PTA membership card. The list of available discounts can also be found on the Mt. Bethel PTA blog.

Assistant Administrator, Peggy Fleming welcomed everyone to the meeting in Principal Robin Lattizori's absence. She mentioned that this is a busy time of year finishing up this school year and beginning plans for next school year. She also announced that this Saturday, March 8, Mt. Bethel will host the 3rd Annual Science Olympiad with 11 other schools attending.

Cindy Nichols called for the Election of the 2008-2009 Officers. Kim Arasin, Secretary, read the portions of the bylaws pertaining to the election of officers. Paulette Farley, Nominating Committee Chair, submitted the nominations. There were no nominations from the floor for any position. A voice vote was taken for each position. The following officers were elected: Co-Presidents: Jessica Cooper and Kara Searcy, 1st Vice President Kathy Menechino, 2nd Vice President Debbie Berman, 3rd Vice President Wendy Giglio, Secretary Kim Arasin, Treasurer Linda Zeiher. The officers will be installed at the April General Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Kim Arasin
Secretary, Mt. Bethel PTA