

**AIR BASE ELEMENTARY  
PTA GENERAL MEETING  
January 23, 2013**

**Meeting is called to order at 6:30 pm**

**Welcome from the Vice President**

Ms. Coney welcomes everyone. She thanks everyone for coming to the Spaghetti dinner. She gives an update on the Scholastic Bookfair/Holiday Shop that it raised close to \$10,000.

She then mentions Family Fundraising Day, which is Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 4 pm. She lets the parents know that if they are interested in having a vendor booth, they can purchase the space for \$25 and complete the form, which is located in the Main Office. Also, she lets parents know that they can purchase an armband for their child for \$5, which will allow them to use the bounce houses repeatedly throughout the day. Also, there will be a rock climbing wall, pony rides, and bungee trampolines available for an additional fee.

**Comments from the Principal**

Mr. Calzadilla thanks Ms. Coney, the chef, for this wonderful dinner.

He then mentions the K-8 Configuration meeting that was held on 16<sup>th</sup> regarding the transition to this type of Magnet Program. A feasibility study will need to be completed. The goal is to begin accepting sixth graders for the 2013-2014 school year. Additional information will be shared as it becomes available.

Dr. Larry Feldman will be coming to Air Base Elementary on Thursday, February 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am for Coffee and Conversation. This event will be held in the Media Center. Mr. Calzadilla invites everyone to attend this event.

**Science Fair Awards**

Ms. Perez thanks the judging committee: Ms. Manning, Mr. Salinetto, Ms. M. Diaz, Ms. Snyder, Ms. Correa, Ms. Wright, Ms. Colon, Ms. Noguerras, herself, and Jack Erdozaim. She also indicating that the projects were judged on creativity and originality, scientific method, presentation, and thorough data support. She also indicated that there is a primary and intermediate category.

Jack Erdozaim, a senior at Westminster Christian Academy, spoke on the importance of the scientific method, and how a science fair project at the elementary level can evolve and become a research project the propels you to great things. He spoke of his science fair project and how it led him to applying and later being accepted to attend MIT in the fall.

The winners were announced. Certificates and awards were given. Jack Erdozaim purchased a perpetuity trophy for the fifth grade first place recipient. His hope is that this is an

inspiration as well as an acknowledgement of the accomplishments in the field of science. The project names will be posted on the ABE webpage.

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:15 p.m.**

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Chrisanne Fordik – Secretary

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