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### **New PTA Positions**

The 2011-2012 PTA Board has created two PTA positions. These positions are the Homeroom Liaison Coordinator (HRLC), and the Homeroom Liaisons (HRLs).

The *HRLC* was a volunteer appointed by the PTA Board and is responsible for disseminating information from the PTA and the ABE Administration to the *HRLs*. The *HRLC* position reports to the PTA Board and the Principal.

The *HRLs* are parents that were selected by the Homeroom teachers, and will receive information from *HRLC* to disperse to the parents. The *HRLs* report to the *HRLC*.

The *HRLs* are not to be confused with the Homeroom Parent. As in years past, the Homeroom Parent is also selected by the teacher, and assists in the classroom with clerical and classroom activities. These are to separate positions and may or may not be the same person. The *HRLC* position is being held by Mrs. Alana Rodriguez and her contact information is as follows:

786-683-8535 or [ohlalainmia@yahoo.com](mailto:ohlalainmia@yahoo.com)

### **Membership Information**

Our goal is to have 50% membership from our parents and 60% membership from our Teachers/Staff. We are pleased to report that membership is close to 350 with nearly 100% participation from the teachers! To show our

appreciation, the PTA will be hosting a pizza party for each grade level for classes with the highest participation on Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>.

### **Opening PTA General Meeting**

On the night of Open House, September 8<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Coney spoke on the importance of parent involvement and volunteer opportunities here at Air Base. He discussed the vision of the PTA for the upcoming year, with an emphasis on legacy projects like the SMART boards and the camera surveillance system. He also explained the importance of fundraising activities and how they help to provide various services to the students and staff. Finally, he stated, "Our success as a PTA is directly related to your (parent) support!"

### **PTA Funds**

Currently in the General Account there is \$1,613.01.

The PTA did approve to cover the costs for the Character Education Program, which is approximately \$1000 for the 2011-2012 school year. The PTA will also cover the cost for the activities and food, which are part of Red Ribbon Week (October 26), which is approximately \$800.

### **Fundraising**

**Mixed Bag Designs'** orders should be delivered to your child's homeroom teacher, the week of October 10<sup>th</sup>. This was an outstanding opening fundraiser as PTA earned a little over \$3700. We thank you for your enthusiasm regarding the new fundraiser.

**Scoop Night at Carvel Ice Cream** was an enjoyable evening for all who attended. A big

"thank you" to all the teachers that came to scoop for the children!! This event raised close to \$277.

**Believe Catalog** sales begin on October 20<sup>th</sup> and run through November 7<sup>th</sup>. Delivery of the items will be prior to winter break.

**Chuck E. Cheese** night will be on Wednesday October 26<sup>th</sup> from 3pm-9pm. The address is 18575 S. Dixie Highway in Miami. There will be no homework passes given. We look forward to seeing you there!

### **School Store**

The school store has remained a success with the change in hours from 7:45 am – 8:20 am on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the cafeteria. We do still have kindergarten journals available.

### **Volunteers**

PTA will be hosting the Scholastic Book Fair and Holiday Shop the week of December 5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>. Both of these events are open from 8am-3:30pm daily and will be open during Reading Around the World on the 8<sup>th</sup> of December from 4pm-8pm. If you would like to volunteer please contact, Ms. Dori Rodrigue at 786-243-0047.

The Volunteer Breakfast on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September was wonderful. We were grateful to all the volunteers that came. Also, we want to express our gratitude to Ms. Melissa Wright, who directed the Drama Club, providing the entertainment. Thank you, Ms. Wright!!

### **Tent Certification**

This training will be held on October 22<sup>nd</sup> concurrently with Beautification Day. The time will be given, once it is known.