

SOUTHERN CHAPTER OF M.A.P.T.
180 BEECH RIDGE RD.
NORTH BERWICK, ME. 03906

Minutes of Meeting May 13, 2008

Attendance: Della Maher - MSAD #60 Deborah Coleman - Wells
 Brenda Cravens – MSAD #60 Diane Morin - Scarborough
 Bev Hooper – MSAD #35 Margo Fournier - Windham
 Brian Trafton – Kittery/BA

Meeting was held in Berwick and brought to order by Brenda Cravens at 10:10.

Brenda gave a brief report about the Southern Regional Conference. Numbers were about the same as last year and overall the conference went very well.

A discussion about annual conference planning was held. Volunteers are still needed to cover the clothing table, 50/50 raffle and general help. If anyone is able to help out during the annual conference, please e-mail Kevin Mallory and get the specific dates and times where coverage is needed. mallok@portlandschools.org

We did some brainstorming about how to promote the 50/50. Della Maher suggested that she and a couple others that are willing to help, where buttons that say “Ask Me About The 50/50”. These people could also sell their pitch outside the classrooms before classes start.

Della Maher volunteered to help with the Special Needs.

Beverly Hooper wanted to share a complaint she received about the scoring and the way judging was conducted. She said that it was not consistent and many were clueless when it came time to score. Cindy will pass this info along to Lennie Goff.

Beverly Hooper also suggested that the Southern Chapter hold a meeting during the annual conference, hopefully to give some members that aren’t able to attend regular monthly meetings a chance to check us out. This meeting will take place on the Wednesday at 4:00 in the hotel dining room.

Diane Morin brought up a concern that directors are not informing drivers about MAPT Meetings and/or information. Because of the new change in membership where all drivers are included now with the paid membership, the feeling is that all drivers should have this information available to them. Diane would like all Directors to please pass on information and minutes to the drivers.

Cindy Button suggested that we get creative and come up with an idea to get address and e-mail etc information from drivers so that we can include them with our mailings. She thought that a guessing game such as a jar full of candy might be a way to attract drivers. We would create a form for them to complete asking for current information about them. A completed form would entitle them to a free guess. One winner will be picked from the returned forms. The prize is the jar and candy. Cindy will take care of setting up a table (next to clothing) and creating a form to use.

Elections took place. Beverly Hooper nominated Brenda Cravens for President. Cindy Button seconded. There were no other nominations. Brenda accepted.

Brenda nominated Beverly Hooper as Vice President. Diane Morin seconded. There were no other nominations. Beverly accepted.

Della Maher nominated Cindy Button as Secretary. Diane Morin seconded. There were no other nominations. Cindy accepted.

For the 2008-2009 school year, Southern Chapter Meetings will be held on the **third** Tuesday of the month at 10:00.

The first meeting of the new school year will be September 16th in Windham.

Cindy Button also suggested the Southern Chapter hold a “Bake Sale” at the annual conference with all proceeds going to MAPT. Several have already jumped in and committed themselves to baking some goodies. If interested in baking or helping out please e-mail Cindy. Cindy will take care of the table and getting information out. cbutton@sad60.k12.me.us Thanks to all that have volunteered for this!

Meeting adjourned at 11:20. Thank you Brenda for hosting!

