

Harms Elementary School

2400 Central

Detroit, Michigan 48209

## **PASCA MEETING**

**Location:** Gymnasium

Present: Verónica Valencía, President, Mauro Cruz, Principal, Lucy Ruíz, Coordinator and parent of 5<sup>th</sup> grade promotion, Ernesto (Payaso Cocorrico) Ana Martinez, SWSOL, Kevin J. Piecuch, Attorney (Southwest Detroit Immigrant and Refugee Center)

Minutes: Verónica Valencía, President, and Mr. Cruz, Principal welcomed everyone with a positive outlook on Harms E.S. agenda for the meeting. It began with Lucy Ruíz, Coordinator and Parent of a 5<sup>th</sup> grader and she spoke to the parents about the raffle and the ongoing commitment with her employment at Congress of Communities. She elaborated on what it involves and how it impacts our parents and children including the SW Detroit Community.

As the meeting went on the student of month were called and one student won from a raffle (Math Facts in a flash) and received a prize. There was a raffle for 3 prizes each winner won a calculator and 3 Subway gift cards valued at \$10.00.

Ana Martinez, SWSOL spoke about how parents can get a Detroit Public Library Card, in SW Detroit through the SWSOL program recommendation. The PACSA invited Kevin J. Piecuch, Attorney (Southwest Detroit Immigrant and Refugee Center) to speak about the resources that are available regarding Immigration Rights Act, the attorney also gave each parent a resource card pertaining to (Immigration Rights as a citizen) in case the parents or anyone gets detained through the ICE program (Border Patrol). Including the rights of family members that are able to care for their children during the captivity of a detainee due to

undocumented paperwork. Ana Martinez, SWSOL translated during the whole process of this vital information for the parents of Harms E.S.

This concluded the meeting with Lourdes Valdivía as the secretary for the PACSA minutes.

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