

PTA Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 12, 2015

Call Meeting to Order

Pledge

Welcome and Introductions

Approval of Minutes from September

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. **Co-President Report:** Tricia Anzalone and Judy Frank

- a. We want to welcome you all to our PTA meeting this evening.
- b. Concert & dinner night discussion - we need to decide if we will have a dinner, what we will have, who we will call and who will run it.
- c. Judy will be heading to the PTA Convention next Saturday.
- d. We are looking into having a Sky Zone evening in December.
- e. We are not going to do a Winter Catalog fundraiser.
- f. We will be going out after our December meeting if anyone would like to join us to celebrate the Holiday time of year.
- g. Both of us are going to be meeting with Superintendent Mirand along with the other Parent Group Leaders on Monday, Nov. 15. Please let us know if you have anything you would like us to bring up at the meeting.

A. **1st Vice President:** Jennifer Scarozza

B. **2nd Vice President:** Kim Little: PTA Membership is up to 212 members

C. **Treasurer:** Debbie Mason: Approximately \$27,000.56 in checking account (which includes \$11,981.86 for 4th/5th grade celebrations, and \$9327 for performing arts, \$5,689.03 is PTA \$) and approximately \$1,093.84 in savings. There was \$17,897.18 deposited in checking and \$2,899.09 withdrawn. Books, deposit, and withdrawal slips are available for anyone interested.

D. **Recording Secretary:** Laura Barnum : Minutes from previous PTA meetings will be posted on website.

F. **Corresponding Secretary:** Kenna DePinto: We will be giving our Custodian Tim a sympathy card as his mother passed away. We have thank you's from Mrs. Waggoner's class for the trip to Kelkenberg Farms and Mr. Foote's class for the trip to Reinstein Woods.

G. **PTSA Council Rep:** Amy Bourgeault and Dawn Stinner: There will be a canned food drive every month for KenTon Family Support Center. 542 students were helped. There will be a box at every school for donations. Donations are currently running low.

Robin Zymroz spoke for superintendent about consolidation, especially regarding 8th grade. She said that the 8th grade curriculum is pretty set according to NYS, and that the district was working out logistics of the consolidation. Meetings will happen at every school closing as decisions are made.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- A. Principal:** Mr. Muscarella mentioned how some children from James and the Giant Peach performed parts of the musical at the board and that it was a pleasure to share what was going on in our school. Kudos to everyone. Thank you to the kids and the parents.
- Mr. Muscarella is waiting to hear from Trevor Brown about consolidation and numbers and then he will begin looking at classrooms, room assignments, etc for next year.
 - Pre-K letters (transitioning to kindergarten) will go home in December.
 - Skylight glass in auditorium will have to wait until summer.
 - Veteran's Day was unbelievable. We had 45 veterans come.
 - The day time performance of James and the Giant Peach will be standing room only. There will not be room for parents/visitors. Time on the calendar is wrong and will be moved up due to a half day. An e-alert will be going out.
- B. Faculty Reports:** Mrs. Grososky
- Kindergarten: Thanks to room parents for the Halloween Celebration
 - First Grade: The kids have been reading their independent books in school and at home. They are super excited when Mr. M. comes into their classroom to award them with their 100 step medals. It is truly a special moment! Thank you to the parents for encouraging children to read. We are looking forward to parent teacher conferences.
 - Second Grade: We enjoyed writing about Veterans and submitting our essays. We have been learning about a new program for the ipads called eSpark which helps with our reading skills.
 - Fifth Grade: Thanks to room parents for the Halloween Celebration. We are looking forward to the play. Thanks for the effort for KenTon-opoly.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Yankee Candle:** Laura Barnum: We made approx. \$1800 profit.
- B. Barnes and Noble/Moe's:** Jamie Velarde: Moe's profit was \$248 and B&N was \$190.
- C. Holiday Food Drive-** Erica West: Collection is underway. Baskets will be put together on 11/24.
- D. Script-Kim Little-** We made \$151 from last order. Another order is going out before Christmas. If interested in purchasing gift certificates, please send money in by 12/4.
- E. Gingerbread Shop-** Kenna DePinto and Gretchen Dickinson: Everything will be \$1. Volunteers are still needed. If anyone can stay after the holiday concert to help set up the stage for the Gingerbread Shop, which will be the next day, please let Kenna or Gretchen know.
- F. 4th and 5th Grade Celebrations-** Debbie Mason, Chrissy Reid, Jamie Velarde, and Amy Bourgeault:
- KenTon-opoly has been a huge labor of love. The idea is to raise money for the 4th and 5th grades for their celebrations and then the rest of the money goes to everyone. The goal is to sell 758 games. As of Nov. 12, 200 presale games have been sold. Volunteers are needed to help sell at KenTon community events outside

of school. This is a game that is not specific just to Lindbergh, but to our community. Great Christmas idea!

- Concerns that some 4th graders may not know that something is being done for their celebration too. It is not just 5th grade. 4th grade will be going on the Miss Buffalo and will have a DJ and food right on the boat. 5th grade will be going on the Maid of the Mist and then to Lincoln Arena to have a lunch catered by Anderson's.
- A date needs to set for a 4th and 5th grade meeting to brainstorm ideas.

Next Meeting Date: Monday, December 6, 2015