

Nord PTO Meeting Minutes
May 8, 2019 @ 9 am
Nord Middle School
Last meeting for the 2018/2019 school year

Meeting order: 9:06 am

Principal: *Ms. Jiovanazzo*

- ❖ Thank you for everything the PTO has done for the teachers. They really appreciated all the surprises and food during Teacher Appreciation Week.
- ❖ We have many volunteers signed up for Field Day, which will help make it a success.
- ❖ The new furniture for the library has been ordered and should be in in a couple of weeks. I spoke with Mr. Sayers and while it's not definite yet, we are working to see if we can get the whole library project completed over this summer instead of the summer of 2020.
- ❖ Ms. Wisnor applied for and was approved for a grant to cover the cost for the ballet company who visited earlier this year to return next year. They will be performing the Wizard of Oz for the entire school.
- ❖ In an effort to provide more volunteer opportunities for our families and better PTO attendance, I am considering a few new things for next year. Parents could volunteer to be room parents and come in to help their child's teacher. I would like to bring back seasonal parties, which the room parents may help plan. And, now that we will have a full time guidance counselor just for Nord, I would like for them to give short presentations at meetings based on what they have been working with students on. For example: anti-bullying or making good choices.

Teacher Report:

None

BOARD:

President: *Sarah Yoder* (nordpto1@gmail.com; 330-698-0244)

- ❖ Thank you to all the volunteers for helping make this a successful year. The PTO raised \$33,773.33 for the school year (updated from meeting).
- ❖ Kona Ice truck will be here on May 24th and May 28th
- ❖ Open Board positions for the 2019/2020 school year:
 - President
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - Several committee chairs will also be open
- ❖ We may need to discuss eliminating the 3rd grade Reading Club next year. There wasn't as many students filling out and returning the reading logs this year. Many teachers offer reading incentives for their classes, which students seem to be focusing more on. It's something next year's Board members and members should decide on.

Vice President: *Joan Leibacher* (joanleibacher@gmail.com; 440-222-6866)

Treasurer: *Jen Denn* (nordptotreasurer@gmail.com; 440-309-5321)

- ❖ Bank Account Balance: \$54,561.32
- ❖ Checkbook Balance: \$25,883.38
- ❖ **Transactions since Jan Meeting:**
 - Deposits: \$ 2,622.89
 - Payments : \$ 29,236.90

Secretary: Dawn Clappas (dclappas@gmail.com; 440-983-7776)

- ❖ Please sign in on the attendance sheet
- ❖ **~Tonya Puhalla made a motion to waive the reading of last month's minutes, Heather Pearch seconded. Vote: Yes**
- ❖ Please email me any agenda information by the Monday before the PTO meeting.

COMMITTEES/CHAIRPERSONS

Book Fair: Lauren Price (laurenmfries@hotmail.com; 440-453-5053)

Community Fundraising: Christina Zilko (cmzilko@icloud.com; 440-453-4903)

- ❖ Marco's Pizza Box Night- Tonya Puhalla
- ❖ Amazon Smile: We will now have one account between the three schools and will split three ways.
- ❖ Giant Eagle - received check for \$2,534 (split between Powers/Nord/AJH is \$844.67 for each)

Community Support Initiative: Jen Denn (nordptotreasurer@gmail.com; 440-309-5321)

Field Day: Jen Wolf (jynn6@yahoo.com; 330-687-8205)

May 24th - all grades- 3rd grade 8:30am - 10:00am

4th grade 10:15am - 11:45am

5th grade 12:15pm - 2:00pm

Hospitality/Staff Appreciation: Dawn Bott and Joan Leibacher (joanleibacher@gmail.com; 440-222-6866)

Membership/Birthday Grams: Ginny Crow (aydrien2017@gmail.com; 440-654-3982)

Social Media: Sarah Yoder, (nordpto1@gmail.com; 330-698-0244), Jen Denn

(nordptotreasurer@gmail.com; 440-309-5321), and Erin Kinser (erin_kinser@amherstk12.org)

Be sure to "Like" and share FB posts and retweet our tweets

Kalahari: Heather Hatten (heathermhatten@gmail.com)

Monsters: Sarah Crosby (srhcrosby@gmail.com; 440-396-8174)

Apparel Sales: Heather Hatten (heathermhatten@gmail.com)

Reading Club: Sarah Crosby (srhcrosby@gmail.com; 440-396-8174), Heather Hatten (heathermhatten@gmail.com), and Nancy Penano (nancypenano@hotmail.com; 440-787-3958)

- ❖ Straws and Smencils available for prizes

Walk a thon: Sarah Yoder

Social Events: Heather Perch (pearch896@gmail.com, 724-312-9704) and Darcie Parsons (darcia16@hotmail.com, 440-667-5202)

Other business:

- ❖ Open House for the 19/20 school year will be August 19th.
 - 3rd graders: 5:30pm -6:30pm
 - 4th and 5th graders: 7pm - 8pm.
- ❖ August 21st is the First Day of School for all grade except Pre-K and K
- ❖ August 28th is picture day

Meeting adjourned: 10:12am

First meeting for the 2019/2020 school year will be: Wednesday, August 14th @ 6 pm