

Mt. Lebanon High School
PTSA Meeting
October 16, 2018
7:00PM

- I. Call to Order (9:00AM) by Julie Maselko/ Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Report of SRO, Bryan Henley, the High School's full time SRO. Things are going well with the students. They are warming up to the idea of a full time SRO. Bryan is involved in some classes, Health, CPR and a Law class. He is keeping an eye on pick up and drop off parking issues, he is working on a plan for issues near the crosswalk as well.
- III. Student Activities Report: Kelly Donis, a Senior Executive Student Council Co President. The student body has been very busy this month with the following activities:
 - A. The Class of 2019 Homecoming Parade was held on October 5th and we had a record number of students in all four grades involved in this event. It was a lot of fun to see Phoebe Connell crowned Queen and Ryan Silverman be crowned King. The other Court members are Teresa Bendel, Mikolaj Bandosz, Bridget Caste, Isaac Burton-Perez, Peter Cosentino, Audrey Desnain, Justin Duda, Kelly Donis, Nate Hoaglund, Aoife-Ruby, Dunne, Charles Merriman, Joy Keating, Tim Walters, and Rebecca Schwartz. The weather was perfect as the wonderful LEBO tradition continued.
 - B. Earlier that day, the 2018 Mt. Lebanon High School Great Alumni awardees were recognized. The award winners are Mr. Dale Aaron Cable, Class of 1975, Mr. David Conover, Class of 1975, Mrs. Noelle Calabro Conover, Class of 1978, Dr. John S. Haller, Jr, Class of 1958, and Mrs. Shirley Erdner Hanson, Class of 1954.. Each of these people has contributed to our society in many ways and we are proud to honor them.
 - C. They are expecting a large crowd and the Homecoming Court and Royalty will be announced at the beginning of the dance. The theme of the dance is "SPACE- the Next Frontier".
 - D. On behalf of the student body, I would like to extend a thank you to Mrs. Silverman, Mrs. Byrne, Mrs. Caste, Mrs. Dillon, and Mrs. Pillion-Gardner for their help with the Boat Ride Dance. We also want to thank Mrs. Dillon and Mrs. Izzo for their help with the Great Alumni event, and Mrs. Maselko, Mrs. Sandora, Mrs. Tubbs, and Mrs. Walker for their help with the Homecoming Parade. And the Blood Drive that took place last Friday was supported by Mrs. Chiappetta, Dr. Elder, Mrs. Gallo, Mrs. Maselko, Mrs. Baisley, Mrs. Dewitt, Mrs. Janay, Mrs. Phares, and Mrs. Schwertfuehrer

- E. Upcoming events are the Halloween Door Decorating contest, the Kilts for Cancer and the Pink Out fundraisers, Spirit Week, the Spirit Assembly, and the Pink Out football game. The Spirit Week themes are Murica Monday, Black & Yellow Tuesday, PINK OUT Wednesday, Pajamas Thursday, and Elementary School Color or blue and gold Friday.
- F. This year we are recognizing the four high school Principals individually during each week of October. The Student Councils for each grade picked one day to have lunch with their assigned Principal and each Council purchased personalized gifts for them. So far, Mr. Thompson and Ms. Deet have been recognized and we are looking forward to thanking Mrs. McGinty this week and Mr. McFeeley next week.

IV. Teacher Representative: Lia Christulides

- A. The Applied Engineering class would like to thank the PTSA for funding some DaVinci model bridge kits.
- B. Mrs. Jones announced that the Mt. Lebanon Log, yearbook was named a 2018 National Yearbook of Excellence. The staff was awarded this for creating an inclusive yearbook, generating school engagement and successfully managing the yearbook creation process.

V. Approval of Minutes. Some changes to May and September Minutes. Minutes stand as approved after changes.

VI. Treasurer's Report: Jennifer Shubert Report is attached.

VII. Executive Committee

A. President: Julie Maselko

1. Dr. Davis announced the teacher contract is settled.
2. There will be a Safety and Security meeting in auditorium October 24.
3. The law has changed for fire drills, now a combination of fire and crisis drills, three a year.
4. 10% of students are enrolled in pure academic courses and will receive free SAT prep.
5. Student Outcome Report is available online.
6. Connections Club is a new club available in the district.
7. State Grant of 60 million has been granted to improve safety and security
8. 2nd Education Budget Grant for A.I.
9. "No Place for Hate" program being implemented in all schools.
10. Lebo PRTDE group will meet Nov. 13, Feb. 12, April 30 at 7pm.
11. October 18 Dan Miller will speak on substance abuse.
12. Outreach "choices" program speaks about issues such as vaping and has started a "Women in Divorce" group.

13. SHIM March community service is available.
14. Education Enrichment is being considered, looking for Molecular \$60 and calculators for \$10

- B. 1st VP: Bonnie Dougherty- No Report
- C. 2nd VP: Georgia Connell- No Report
- D. 3rd VP: Margaret Izzo: Looking for volunteers for Homecoming Dance, and Blood Drive.
- E. 4th VP: Brian McFeeley:

1. November 2 will be the end of the first 9 weeks.
 2. Grades are posted on Dashboard currently.
 3. We have 23 students visiting from Italy through Goodwill Industries Program.
 4. Annual visit from students in Germany, Mt. Lebanon students will visit Germany in the summer.
 5. Congratulations to the Seniors who are semi-finalists for National Merit :
Based on the results of the October 2017 PSAT, less than 1% of the 1.6 million students, who as juniors took the PSAT last fall, from across the country, have been recognized as National Merit Semifinalists. **Margaret Brown, Alayna Mikush, AlexisSchulte-Albert, Rebecca Schwartz, Meera Whitson**
 6. In early September, about 16,000 students, or approximately one-third of the 50,000 high scorers, are notified that they have qualified as Semifinalists. To ensure that academically talented young people from all parts of the United States are included in this talent pool, Semifinalists are designated on a state-representational basis. They are the highest scoring entrants in each state.
 7. The U.S. Department of Education Green Ribbon School for promising practices in Washington DC was attended.
 8. October 10, the PSAT was offered at no charge to sophomores. 9th graders watched a LINK video on inclusion. 12th graders worked on College visits, applications.
 9. The staff attended a student mental health seminar.
 10. Evacuation drill was rescheduled.
 11. 800-1000 students will attend the Homecoming dance.
 12. There will be a Fall Spirit Assembly
 13. There is an In Service day November 6th
 14. November 21, there is a 2pm dismissal
- F. Secretary: Sue Byrne: Sign-In Sheet distributed.
 - G. Historian: Mary Roman: Working on Binder Distribution.
 - H. Board Members at large: Betsy Dillon, Amy Shannon-Specter, Traci Smith: No Report

- VIII. Committee Reports
 - A. Membership: Bonnie Dougherty: 605 Members, goal is 700. We have received \$4143 in donations.
 - B. Reflections, Art program, Josh Dougherty is chairing, submissions due Nov. 30. Added a 3d sculpture category.
- IX. Old Business
- X. New Business
 - A. Health Office Fund \$50 additional from PTSA. Amy Shannon-Specter made a motion, Bonnie Dougherty seconded the motion.
- XI. Announcements: Some Teacher Requests will be looked at by the Board.
- XII. Adjournment: 10:07am

Respectfully Submitted: Sue Byrne