

Tower Heights PTO Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2019

Members present: Judy Winfield-President, Clint Freese-Principal, Brenda Miller-Teacher Rep, Christina Oyler-Treasurer, David Ellis-Beautification Chair, Luann DiFilippo-Hospitality Chair, Erin O'Brien-Free Money Chair, Amanda Matthias-Caton-Secretary

Meeting was called to order at 7p.

Judy made a motion to approve minutes from previous meeting and Clint seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report:

Christina passed out a copy of her report and explained all expenditures and deposits.

Discussion took place regarding where to spend PTO monies. Suggestions included: Playground equipment, planters for the front entrances of the school, a par course, PBSI posters and banners, and/or scholarships. Judy agreed to call Centerville Parks dept. to see if they would be willing to install a par course on school property. Mr. Freese will follow up with the district to see what is allowed.

President's Report:

The last PTO meeting is scheduled for April 8th at 7p. Judy asked if language teachers will attend. Brenda agreed to ask them. Judy also extended an invitation to all to 5th grade parents.

Volunteers needed for Spring Fling, date TBD.

Volunteers also needed for 8th grade dance at the end of May.

Judy will ask Amy to set up a "sign-up genius" for food and volunteers.

Committee Reports:

- a) Brenda-Lunch out Fridays continue to be appreciated and are going well.
- b) Luann-Hospitality and Free Money (Erin) Chairs are working together for teacher appreciation days. Erin is working on securing Milanos for teacher appreciation lunches.
- c) Dawn (via Judy)- Scholarship chair is working with Samantha Stingley at the high school on coordination of application deadlines and process for TH scholarship. Applications are due 4/12. Judges will receive their packets by 4/22 and will return with recommendations by 4/30. Judges include: Jennifer LeMaster, Karen Gruenberg, Judy Winfield and several teachers (Brenda working on securing their participation)
- d) David-Beautification -got quotes for planters, \$500-\$1,000 just to ship. Clint suggested David contact Stacy Jeffries in the District business office to see what has been ordered in the past. Clint also suggested that David contact Junior Optimist Club advisors to see if they would be willing to have JO team up with beautification to complete project.

Principal's Report:

Tower Heights 6th grader, Naomi Schwartz, represented TH at city-wide spelling bee. DI and Science Olympiad teams continue to do well. Checkout the Centerville Schools social media pages to stay up on all the latest news. (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, webpage)

Junior Optimist Club's fundraiser "Pennies for Patients" raised \$4200.00. Ms. Isaacs advisory raised the most money at \$ 300.00. The school has raised 62,000.00 Over the last 14 years to help this cause. Clint praised the efforts of the JO advisors on a job well done!

8th grade scheduling for HS-everyone should have classes scheduled by now. Request parent signatures by Spring Break.

Clint updated PTO on new radios that were purchased for better security/communication within school and within district. TH purchased 14 new radios. Together with old radios that brings total to 24. Uses include: recess duty, communication within building (CH1), emergency channel (CH16)- this channel will go to emergency responders outside campus. Discussion regarding various protocol for emergencies ensued.

MAP assessments this week. These tests provide objective data regarding a students proficiency in the areas of Math, Science and Reading. These tests enable teachers to plan curriculum more precisely to meet the needs of students.

Teacher Representative:

Brenda brought forward money requests from Ashley Isaacs \$25.34 for copies of student artwork displayed at district wide art show at CHS this week. PTO agreed to reimburse Ms. Isaacs the money. Fr. Zimmer would also request money for a "region free" DVD player. Clint suggested that she go through district tech department or library (Christy Sanderman or Shannon Morgan) to see if they can provide item for her. ED programs are requesting \$200.00 for "snack/incentive" money. PTO agreed to provide \$200.00 to ED department.

New Business:

Officers for 2019-2020 school year elected. Only change will be in the position of President. David Ellis is President-Elect. The PTO wishes to extend a big "THANK YOU!" to Judy Winfield for all of your hardwork keeping the PTO running smoothly this year!

Meeting Adjourned 8:06p