
In Attendance

Melissa Deloreto – Principal, Jennifer D'Angelo –President, Jessica Stearns – VP, Carrie Estabrooks – Treasurer, Sarah Susco – Secretary

Parents/Teachers – Devon Sullivan, Gina Morris, Jessica Schunemeyer, Robin Foley, Tracy Gilpin, Kirsten Fedors, Bre Beach, Emily Shrader, Danielle Lavallee, Kelly Hanretta

Introductions

The board as well as the principal introduced themselves. All guests then introduced themselves.

Principal's Report

- Friday Sways
- Library – should be able to use soon
- Upcoming (All in weekly Sway)
 - 10/25 – Audubon Society – 2nd grade
 - 10/29 – Harvest Fest (in classrooms) 2:45-3:30
 - 11/3 – ½ day
 - 11/9 – Picture re-takes
 - 11/11 – Veterans Day – Walk-a-thon where money raised goes to a vet in need. Students – red, white, blue.
 - 11/12 – Spirit day – students wear LBH t-shirts
- Volunteer forms need to be filled out in order to volunteer

Treasurer's Report

- 58 PTA members
- Fall Fest cost \$1200.00
- Made approximately \$1300 from Mums fundraiser
- Charleston Wrap is still being tallied but sales are approx. \$3,300 thus far

Announcements/New Business

- Requests for playground equipment
 - *Gaga Pit for 3rd and 4th graders: VP mentioned that sometimes the Eagle Scouts will build things like this for the community. PTA will look into Gaga Pit and report if possible at next meeting.
 - *Miscellaneous equipment requests: Tether ball, mat that rolls out for handicapped accessibility, easel, and equipment cart. PTA will report back at next meeting whether these are possible.
 - *Parent (Emily S). offered to send an email out to parents about the equipment and asked if they are willing to contribute.
- Popcorn: We are going through a large amount of popcorn that the 4th graders sell. There will be a limit imposed on the number of bags one can purchase and we are ordering more popcorn. If it does not come in on time, we will notify parents.

- Communication: Asked attendees how they like to receive information. Facebook and by paper flyers sent home seemed to go over well. Discussed increasing the Facebook group membership numbers. Melissa will add it to her Sway, and we will put a flyer in folders for parents to sign up. A parent suggested that we also advertise events on the East Lyme Community Facebook page.
- Volunteers: We discussed having a volunteer list in place so we could reach out to parents for specific events and see if they are available to help.
- Other things the PTA does in addition to fundraising: Reimburse staff up to \$75 for classroom supplies, enrichment for the school, and maintains a contact list for families to reach out to each other.

Current Fundraisers

- Lyman Orchard Pie Sale - Numbers are still coming in but we are almost at our goal with online sales and have paper sales to add in. We will surpass our goal of \$1500. Will be reaching out to those who volunteered to sort and distribute.
- Bookfair – Bookfair is still happening and is doing great.

Upcoming Fundraisers

- Square One Art

Upcoming Events

- Elf Shelf (12/10)
 - PTA is looking for a planning committee
 - Emily S. volunteered to help find volunteers for the committee
 - Discussion about photo booth at the event
- Care and Share food drive - Run by the food service team and the school. PTA will support by advertising.
- Holiday gift collection- Ideas and requests to attendees about where to donate gifts. Last year we donated to Safe Futures and to Child and Family, and Care and Share previous years.
- Yearbook

Next Meeting

November 17th at 6:30pm, Cafeteria at Lillie B. Haynes