

PTA Meeting
May 2, 2019

1. Welcome
2. Meeting Minutes Approval – Minutes were approved.
3. Treasurer's Report – Savings account: \$13,533.17 Checking account: \$10,259.82

OLD BUSINESS:

4. Earth Day Materials
 - a. Seeds/pots were distributed to students. Some teachers started them in class, and others sent them home. They were well-received!
5. Skate Night
 - a. Turn out was good. No leftover snacks.

NEW BUSINESS:

6. Mr. Koch talked about field day plans
 - a. 2nd and 3rd grades – May 13th (Rain Date May 14th)
 - b. K and 1st grades – May 15th (Rain Date May 16th)
 - c. Mr. Koch will be in touch early next week about parent volunteers.
 - d. A decision will be made the day of if there's a call for a rain delay; perhaps a One Call will be made.
 - e. He appreciates the ribbons being ordered.
 - f. Mr. Koch shared a video he made about physical education/health class.
 - g. He uses the Apple TV every day in class – there's always a movement of the day on the TV; he also uses it as a scoreboard, music, camera so they can see themselves, etc.
 - h. Mr. Koch will present at the board meeting on May 14th, along with some students.
7. PSSA prizes and ice cream sandwiches were awarded yesterday (5/1)
 - a. The officers approved the purchase of two bicycles, certificates for school fair tickets, 5 \$20 Book Fair certificates for PSSA prizes provided by the PTA.
 - b. Rachel shared that the students were very excited and encouraging to one another when the prizes were given.

- c. Mr. Minium shared that the students were excited about earning the tickets for prizes, and he felt the prizes helped students focus on the test. He also shared that attendance was very good and that the testing environment cannot be recreated, so attendance is important.
 - d. Positive attitude, showing work, effort, and going back and checking their answers were the expectations.
8. Yearbooks – Brittany Lynch said they arrived. They likely will be distributed Friday or early next week. They'll also be available for purchase at the school fair.
9. BOGO Book Fair
- a. Week of May 6th
 - b. Family shopping time during school fair
10. 5K Update
- a. Over \$1,000 in donations has been received to cover costs of t-shirts, water, snacks, etc.
 - b. We have 135 registered so far, including 63 kids registered (10 am is the race)
 - c. Post a picture of a child dressed/posed like a superhero, tag #GeisingerSuperheroes and @TheDailyItem, mention Geisinger ...The Daily Item will donate \$1 per picture to the Janet Weis Children's Hospital
 - d. 20 extra shirts are available the day of
11. School Fair Update
- a. Food Trucks are opening at 11 am
 - b. Mini Concert K-2 at 1 pm
 - c. Fair is Saturday, May 11th, from 12-3 pm
 - d. Volunteers are needed! Contact Rachel Yoder if you're willing/able – sign up is on the PTA Facebook page
 - e. Boy scouts have been contacted to help – waiting to hear back
 - f. Pie in the Face will be part of the School Fair – teachers are volunteering (probably after concert)
12. Bump Up Day
- a. As a grade level, the students will spend time in each of the next grade's classrooms, meet the teacher, and move to the next room. Teachers will not be assigned as of that point.
 - b. Posting for next year's class rosters will be in August (like it was last year).

13. 4th grade field trip to Bloomsburg University on May 17th for STEM camp

14. School picnic on the last day of school

- a. Pizzas, cupcakes, drinks – will take place in courtyard. Volunteers asked to bring blankets.
- b. 4th grade may receive a treat after their musical performance in place of the last day picnic.
- c. Dismissal is at 11:15 – June 5th

15. Teacher appreciation – Keri Hoban and Jess Hollar

- a. Jess reported that the sign up genius is full, and everything looks good!

16. Fall Fundraiser

- a. We've done Gertrude Hawk; do we want to consider an alternate option or even a "buy out" option?
- b. Perhaps each grade level could do/sell something different?
- c. Tabled discussion until next meeting/a decision needs to be made before the end of the summer, and we need a chairperson for the Fall Fundraiser.

17. Spirit Wear – ToshaAnn Stover

- a. We plan to order again in the fall – a suggestion was made to make the order as early as we can so students have sweatshirts to wear when it starts to get cooler.
- b. If so, date or month in mind to sell – depends on the Fall Fundraiser date
- c. Anything specific that parents want added, what kind of items would we like to see? Perhaps add a beanie.
- d. Do we want to stay with 1 design or add a second design? We will look into adding a second design for next year.
- e. Next time, we need a delivery date from Blue Heron.

18. Box Tops

- a. The clipping of the box tops will be discontinued; instead, you will scan your grocery receipt, attach it to your school info, and the school will receive the money.
- b. App rollout is in June.

19. Principal's Report:

- a. Ag Lab – feedback from teachers was that they were very happy to have it back this year! A big hit this year!
- b. Tomorrow is 158th day of school already. Lots of events scheduled yet this year.

- c. Dismissal of walkers: Busses will leave at 2:55 pm instead of 2:52 pm to cut down on “down time” the students have on the busses. The only group it will affect will be the walkers, who are dismissed after busses leave for safety reasons.
 - d. Kindergarten Graduation – Friday, May 31st, at 1:00 pm at the Community Hall.
 - e. School Fair basket donations are due May 8th.
20. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 pm. Lindsay Maxwell made the motion, Kellie Bates seconded.