



Northley PTL Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 3rd, 2021

Call Meeting to Order

Welcome Everyone / Introductions

Andrea Griffith

Principal's Report:

Mr. Alutius

Conferences are coming up at the end of the month on Monday and Tuesday. They're virtual or in person. There's an area asking if you have any concerns, and in that area you can put if you want it in person. It's a student-led conference.

Not long after that, we'll have our concert. We'll be offering two tickets per family. Masks are mandatory for the concerts. On the first evening for 6th grade, one ticket can get you in for both performances. The performances are back to back, and afterwards there will not be a reception. For 7th and 8th grade, band goes first at 6:30 then chorus. If you just have a child in band, then you have to leave after that. Parents can't stay for both because of numbers. December 7th is the 6th grade concert, and December 8th is 7th and 8th grade.

Also, for the conferences, each of those days is an early dismissal. The early dismissals are November, 22nd, 23rd and 24th.

On our website you can find our activities calendar, and it is pretty much up to date. You can see when certain events are happening. We also include activities for the upcoming week in our newsletter.

Next week is our quarterly exams for our core content classes. The end of the marking period is November 12th. The following Friday the grades will be available on Skyward. Most students will change their related arts classes, unless they have gym, band or chorus. We'll go over that with them as well, especially for the 6th grade students.

On the board minutes, you would have seen that Ms. Prosper is moving to the high school. That's our loss for us, but we're happy for her that she gets to achieve that goal. We do have a person for the Financial Literacy position. He's coming to us from Upper Darby and will start in January. We're very excited. He's a young, extremely talented teacher. We're happy to have him. We also have a young teacher named Samantha Amicone starting in January to replace Ms. Prosper.

On Friday night will be the Graveyard Bash, and everything is set up for that.

We will not be having the 8th grade in December. We are on hold for any indoor dance events. We have to wait it out until those parameters change so we can run it effectively and in a manner that is safe for all. We tried to hold on before making a decision as long as possible. Somebody asked about tents, and with that a liability issue could happen. District decision.

There's one more event that I forgot to tell you, and it's a really neat thing they decided to do this year with the intramurals. This year between Fall and Winter, they're going to do an intramural

basketball team. The dates are already on the activities calendar on the website. They'll also have volleyball tournaments. In that respect, kids who normally play sports get to participate. Everyone will get an opportunity without missing other sports.

Questions:

Question about 8th grade dance. The Senior prom ended up being inside because it was raining. My question is why do the 8th graders have to have a dance outside when the Senior prom was inside. Mr. Alutious said that he doesn't have an answer for that.

Chrissi Villa said the same thing happened last year where they couldn't have the 8th grade dance, and it was hard but they had an event outside.

Allyson Garrity- Can we make the event bigger in the Spring since we can't have the winter dance? Maybe at the 8th grade committee meeting, we can talk about planning ahead for the Spring dance and making it bigger and better.

Chrissi Villa asked Mr. Alutius to double check if for the basketball intramural tournament if they divide the kids up themselves. He said it's on Ms. Genovese's page.

The book fair will be open the week before conferences and is virtual.

Teacher Representative's Report:

We started explaining Quarterlies to the 6th graders today. Most 6th graders took a quizlet or study guide.

-PBIS is pushing for the postcards for one more week, if you're interested in that.

-Student Council started a food drive from now until the 19th and the class who sells the most gets a reward.

Andrea asked about spirit wear and she said it's good until Monday.

-Monday is the Freddy's fundraiser to replenish the school store because it's a little low on inventory.

-Caryn asked Mrs. Taylor- In the past, on back to school night there was an option where people can donate to PBIS. Ms. Taylor will ask about that, to see if people can do that around conference time.

Treasurer's Report:

Lisa Jennings

November 3, 2021

Savings Account- \$1391.79

Checking Account- \$11,138.32

Expenses included:

1. Bates Motel- \$36.40
2. Misc Candy/Lights- \$105.39 (For 6th/7th grade Halloween Dance.
 - Still waiting on Bus invoice for Bates.
 - \$40 for 1 child not eligible to go to Bates. Waiting on parent to respond back.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Jennings

Business:

1. **8th Grade Hayride Debrief-** Caryn said that we had 100 8th graders that had a fabulous time. The buses were late arriving and the 8th graders were patiently waiting. It was really successful. We had more interest than seats for the bus. Maybe in the future, there's a way to get a 3rd bus. Overall, it was really good, and they had a great time!
2. **6th/7th Graveyard Bash** – Postponed to 11/5- If you are volunteering, thank you. We're stuffing goody bags. Questions for Mr. Alutius from Andrea-Do you know if custodians can move the donations from the office up to the stadium. He said, yes. Is there power for the DJ? He said that yes, there is. We can start setting up for the event at 3:30 so want to make sure there's an extension cord. How do we handle it if a child comes without a permission slip? Mr. Alutius said to get him and he will handle it and verify everything. Andrea said that they're going to tell parents to pick them up and drop them off in the Admin lot. We will give them the goodie bags as they're walking out of the stadium.
3. **Fundraising Update** – Poinsettia Sale- We are going to do a poinsettia sale. We're offering 6, 7 and 8 inch pots, red, white or red and white. It will run into December 3rd. That should be fun. Delivery would be at the school on December 14th or 15th. It will be on the flyer.
4. **8th Grade Update-** We already talked about the winter dance not occurring, and they are having a meeting tomorrow, so not much else at the moment. Caryn said that we're looking forward to planning some events and getting some volunteers so we can plan some fun events.
5. **Questions-**Mr. Alutious asked if he should send a shout out about the 8th grade committee, and Caryn said it's probably not needed right now, since there's many 8th grade parents that are active on Social Media.

-Andrea asked if water can be stuck in a fridge on Friday to stay cold.

-Allyson Garrity asked if an email to 8th grade parents that the winter formal will not be happening? Mr. Alutius said that he will put it in the newsletter. Andrea said to add that there will be a Spring formal and an end of year breakfast with gifts.

-Mrs. Taylor just heard back from Ms. Sayer and Mrs. Miller about PBIS donations, and Ms. Sayer said that donations can be sent in at any time of money or a gift card.

Andrea- That's all we have. Our next meeting is December 1st. Thank you and have a nice month!

Attendance

Amy Hertz

Andrea Griffith

Angela Sands

Caryn Rhodes

Chrissi Villa

Elena Alboretto

Erika Moyer

Gina Leiby

Debbie Knight

Josh Kenzie

Krista Stafford

Kristen

Kristen Plachuta

Lisa Jennings

Mrs. Taylor

Myesha Tilghman