

Dunellen PTO

PTO Meeting Minutes

March 13, 2019

Time: 7:08pm

Attendance:

Pamela Vail, President Silke Carlson, Co-Vice President, Committee Chair Nicole Moore, Co-Vice President, Grade Level Oversight Gwen Perdomo, Correspondence Secretary Jessica McGarry, Recording Secretary Monique Phua, Treasurer Laurie Mann, Teacher Liaison (absent)

Teachers in Attendance: None **Board Members in Attendance:** None

Welcome/Call to Order: (Pam): Thank you all for coming! Mr. Lubisco's Round Table will begin now.

Mr. Lubisco: (Principal): Thank you all for coming out. Read Across America was a success with Ms. Willoughby. We had Cat in the Hat come to visit with Grades 1 and 2. The kids were so excited and loved it. In all the grades, there was a guest reader for every classroom.

Upcoming:

Tomorrow is a Half Day for Parent Teacher Conferences, by invitation from your Teacher. Half day in-service for Teachers is March 20th Choir and Recorder Concert is March 26th for 3rd Grade PBSIS Fundraiser is on March 27th at the McDonald's in Middlesex PTO's Tricky Tray is on April 13th

Our SRO from the District has started working. Sergeant Chin is the police officer re- assigned to be our SRO. He splits time between the two buildings. It's a huge addition with his expertise in law enforcement. He will be present for pick-up and dismissal between the schools, along with sharing the time during the day between the schools.

We started a garden outside from the Media Center. Every grade has section, and will take turns by class to experience growing items and learning about the process.

PAARC will be here in the middle of May (although it's been renamed). It will be spaced over a week for Grades 3, 4, and 5.

Questions?

~Are you having another "Walk-to-School or Bike-to School soon? <u>Mr. Lubisco</u>: I have reached out to Ms. Strauss, but haven't heard back yet if she will be having one in the spring. I will reach out to her again.

Treasurer: (Monique): I didn't make copies, so everyone here has had a chance to see the report. Most items in and out are for Tricky Tray. PayPal came in over \$5,000. We did pay for Field Trips last week. Most items in the budget will be paid for before Tricky Tray except the Graduation Scholarships.

Any questions about our report? No questions were posed. Can I have a motion to approve February's treasurer report? A second? The February treasurer report has been approved.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: (Jessica): Please take a few minutes to review the February 11th meeting minutes. **Any questions? No questions were posed. Can I have a motion to approve the February 11th meeting minutes? A second? The February meeting minutes have been approved.**

President: (Pam):

<u>Tricky Tray</u> – We had all 3 school's dress-down days for teachers, and made \$935. We will be using the money to purchase prizes. Thank you to all the staff who participated in that. We are still in need of other donations as well. We had a basket wrapping last night, and wrapped at least 50 prizes.

<u>Nominations</u> – Reminder was sent via email, and due at the next meeting. We will be looking for someone to call the nominees.

Bake Sale – March 27th, with a rain date of the 28th. This will also go towards Tricky Tray.

<u>Book Fair</u> – April 8th through the 12th. Mrs. VanRoss had set up an author's visit on April 11th with Phil Bildner. We're trying to have Scholastic send some of his books with their shipment. Marvelous Cornelius is his book.

Vice President – Committee Chair: (Silke):

<u>Scholarships</u> – The applications went out to the graduating high school students, and should be back by April 1st. Once I have them, I will reach out to the Scholarship Committee to set a date for the interviews for the High School Students.

(Pam): As far as Scholarships, we were asked if we could name one in memory of Barb McGuane. Maybe we could name one this year, and possibly have a dress down day to support this memory scholarship every year.

Assembly Chair - Still in need of an assembly chair.

<u>8th Grade Promotion</u> – Needs 4 volunteers for their party on the 19th of June. They will be here at Faber at 6:30pm, and then they go over to LMS.

Vice President – Grade Level Oversight: (Nicole):

<u>Upcoming Parties</u> – Spring party for most grades. Team Leaders please check you're your teacher. Some are having it the first day of Spring March 20th, and some are having them the day before Spring Break.

 5^{th} Grade Farewell – I just received approval from the school that it will be on June 7th. I will be reaching out to the non-fifth grade parents on the committee to volunteer.

Correspondence Secretary: (Gwen):

Like us on Facebook, or for any reminders, please go to the website. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 3rd at 7pm.

Teacher Liaison: (Laurie):

(Pam): Since Laurie isn't here; please continue to support the PBSIS fundraisers. Mr. Lubisco had mentioned the next one will be on March 27th at the McDonald's next to ACME.

Open Discussion: None **Closing Remarks**: None **Adjourned:** 8:03pm **Respectfully submitted:** Jessica McGarry