

MES PTA General Membership Meeting

Matoaka Library, October 11, 2017

Attendees – Sarah Deaver, Adrienne Tropilo, Ally Younica, Jamie Ibrahim, Karen Talley, Alisa Smith, Leila Mufdi, Rachel Smethurst, Becca Bruhl, Karen Wilck, Dana Hess, Lisa Iannuzzelli, Karen Quinlan, Lisa Burton

Call to order by Ally Younica – 7:04pm

Presidents Report – Ally Younica

- a. Please come join – board members have to be a PTA member. Thank you, all teachers, for supporting the T-Rex walkathon walk to the classrooms. Asked Smethurst what would be needed as far as supplies for the supply closet if PTA were to do one for the teaching staff. Box Tops this Friday. Peachjars are always available to get online.

Guest Jim Kelly – started with school board Jan 2010. Important for kids and the community. Opening middle school next summer – redistricting. Talking about HS – each high school will be at 99% capacity. A lot of logistics go into opening a 4th HS. May ne too many negative consequences. State is giving us less money and we have 1000 times more students overall. Concern for the teaching profession in general. The demand, time and expectations of what they are supposed to do is not fair. If you pay tuition you are sent to the school of the school boards choice. Feel free to email if any questions.

VP of Fundraising – Adrienne Tropilo

- a. WAT – October 13th, 2017. Have raised 10400 as of today. Madison Muller won for turning in money early and largest amount. Room parents are getting another email from her tonight. Teachers also. Unless thunder and lightning we will walk in the rain. Counting laps this year to give them a small incentive. Painting the bus loop around 845am. Stenciling Monopoly Board. Walk/WalkFast only!!!! We do have some water. Room moms will have water as well as have the students bring theirs from home. If you have time on Friday please stop in to help count money.

Treasurer – Jamie Ibrahim

- a. Updated budget on tables – closer to 12000 on income. Great with merchandise. Underspent on pta training, boohooyahoo, etc.

Secretary – Sarah Deaver –

- a. minutes from Sept 14th approved by Adrienne Tropilo and Karen Talley

Veterans Show – Karen Quinlan –

Nov 10th two performances – 2nd and 3rd will be performing. Parents come to first 2nd performance and parents of 3rd graders come to second performance.

Principals Report - Andy Jacobs –

Thank for all the hard work starting the year. Adrienne with WAT. Dana doing a lot of work for healthy lifestyles. Francine Teer thank you for the guest author. Beth Pell our new assistant principal. 5th year in the division. 17yrs in York County. 758 students – largest. Large still with the small feel. School improvement plan – daily attendance – holding schools accountable 15% of population or 18 days. Recognizing good attendance. Literacy Footprints underway. 6th kit was purchased and received. Team is doing well with it. First week of after school clubs – fun and learning. Stage one is finished of the outdoor classroom. Stage 2 is this weekend. Have the SCA come to one of our PTA meetings.

Merchandise – doing very well!!!!

Spirit Nights – on cell phone

Shopping Programs – school website a new shopping program

Family Fun Nights – having troubles getting in touch with W&M. Something will get in the works.

Garden – a lot going on, will be in touch

Healthy Lifestyles – healthy drink challenge, a day to keep the kids moving, sweet potato day, jump rope challenge – hopefully doing a tasting of healthy foods. Still brewing ideas. Big highlight is having the chef!!

Helping Hands –

Mike White – reminder sent out for donuts with dads – good response – Oct 20

Membership – 297 members – goal is 425. 71 came in online, good compared to other schools.

Membership drive starts beginning of Nov until Thanksgiving. Most members by teacher and grade will receive a prize. Parent conference night is a good night to get parents to join PTA. Membership cards are coming out this year.

Reflections – Deadline is Oct 24th. May be able to extend our deadline. Flyers were sent home. Letters to teachers were sent. 4 judges, still need 2 additional judges. Needs robocall and a couple announcements.

Directory – once information is compiled will begin working on directory.

Room moms –

Treats for Troops – Full week in early November

Birdseye view – Keep it to one page and see how that goes and possibly changing the format entirely.

Bulletin Board – Membership is November

Yearbook – Just gathering photos – sending out info to teachers and room moms

****We did sign up for school of excellence. Applied. We will be basing it on Healthy Lifestyles. We must survey first. Harness knowledge of what is out there. Spend the rest of the year working with SHIP and Beth here. Improve for students and raise awareness to parents.***

Next Meeting Nov 15

Meeting adjourned at 827pm by Ally Younica