

Roslyn Elementary School PTO Meeting Minutes:

January 31, 2020

Presidents: Dana Doyle & Brendan Sullivan - Welcomed and thanked all present for attending. Mentioned Riviera Spirit Night 2/10, take out or eat in a portion goes back to the school. Starting volunteers for the Mayfair, 5/2, 10-3; may see something on Facebook or Dr. Osborne will send an email. Just need an idea of where we are with volunteers as it's a lot of work.

Vice Presidents: Krissy Bellerby & Carrie Keck – will discuss Winter Carnival later

Treasurer: Amanda – budgets available on back table, let her know if any questions.

Recording Secretary: Bonnie – last month's minutes available, please pass and second them at end of meeting.

Documentation Specialist & Teachers: Nothing to report.

Corresponding Secretary: Marisa – Thank you notes from the teachers for \$100 to purchase various classroom supplies; available if people would like to read.

Library Report: Mrs B-D – Thanked PTO for funding author's visit; Melissa Stewart coming in April, and she had a sampling of her books if people wanted to look at them. They will sell them ahead of time and she'll sign them. She's written over 180 books, non-fiction, mostly about animals/plants. Will do research with the kids, K-5, before assembly. Order forms will likely come home in February. Reading Olympics for 5th-6th grade happening March 3rd; more information will come home.

Student Affairs Representative: Mrs. Begley – Recap on fundraiser movie night 1/10 was a huge success, netted \$930! T-shirts designed & order forms went out today, \$12/adult, \$10 children. Tickets will go on sale next week, \$5 straight admission, general seating. Thursday 2/20 show for school will be 1:30pm; 7pm 2/20 & 2/21 for the public. Student Council currently doing a canned food drive & donating to local food bank. Sweetheart breakfast 2/12, heart-shaped pancakes & Chartwells brings in toppings, \$1.30. Lollipop card sale starting in the beginning of February, forms will come home beginning of next week. Pennies for patients to kick off in the beginning of March.

Curriculum Specialist Report: nothing to report

Principal's Report: Mrs. Carmichael on behalf of Dr. Osborne –

- Abington Township summer guide should be coming home soon, to help you plan your summer.
- District hired 2 new people recently: District Equity Officer Chris Brown from Strathaven but was also a former Abington alumni (like to hire home grown candidates); Director of Innovation Brandon Lutz (replacing Lawrence Goldberg) from Cheltenham School District.
- Jenny Robinson is new playground aid
- Dr. Fecher was at school yesterday & had lunch w/6th grade students to discuss goings-on & how he can make things better
- 1/16 hosted MLK assembly where Vibe & Imagine/Student Council as well as some grade levels gave presentations to honor Dr. King's legacy.
- Community Service project collected snacks/drinks/toiletries/socks/underwear and donated to Stinson Family Manor, a homeless shelter for families in mt. Airy.
- Dr. Osborne attended an anti-bullying committee meeting yesterday with people across district (parents, teachers) to discuss how to address bullying within district. The school has an anti-bullying committee with 4th, 5th & 6th graders where she, Dr. Osborne & Mrs. Falquez meet monthly to see what's going on in bathroom/on playground where they don't have insight into.

- Variety of Superintendent committees happening right now; looking at adopting a new social studies program for upcoming school year; rewriting health curriculum across the grade levels; rewriting a lot of the curriculum in general – not necessarily purchasing new material but more how many minutes allotted to each subject.
- In December after conferences held schoolwide positive reinforcement incentive, Hollywood Squares (Mrs. Doherty brought this with her from Copper Beach), and everyone enjoyed it. Had committee meeting yesterday to plan the next incentive where keeping with March Madness theme there will be students vs. staff basketball game & free throw shots to earn prizes for classrooms.
- DARE just started, joining us again is Officer McMenamin, takes place Fridays.
- 1/23 wildlife assembly where an alligator, wallaby, hedgehog, skunk & toad were introduced, courtesy of the Sneeburgers (thank you). One of the best programs she's seen in a very long time.
- Committee to discuss reconfiguration of the grade levels as we approach transition moving from K-6 to a K-5 school etc.
- Valentine's Day parties will take place Thursday 2/13, no school Friday 2/14 but in-service day
- Mentioned the Lion King play, and that she's watched the practice most afternoon and said it's going to be fabulous!

Multicultural Night: Marisa – 2/13, 6-8pm; Multicultural Club 2nd-4th grade, doing project work on different countries that will be on display. Paper came home asking for families to participate by either donating food or an object of interest/set up a table. There will be a craft table too, and teachers will be reading, and lots of food!

Holiday Shop: Sara/Dana – thanked all volunteers, kids all had fun, a little inventory left over for next year. Raised \$2,800! Really great event!

Winter Carnival: Krissy – thanked everyone that joined the committee, raised about \$2,700! Hope everyone had fun & thanked everyone that donated food to the bake sale.

School Store: Krissy –next school store 2/6. Going well, will post a reminder. Anyone that would like to volunteer they'd love to have them. A lot of pennies to count, if they could count beforehand.

Boxtops: Dana for Gabby – reminded about App and that we'd bring back to the top of the PTO Facebook page. Scan receipt into BoxTops app – it's a picture, no more cutting Box Tops, we automatically get the credit. Very simple to use. She has the app if people want to come look after meeting.

Ringo: Brendan – Thursday 3/19, will send out for volunteers; online ordering will be back. More information to come.

VIP Dance: changed to 4/17. Flyer will come home but important takeaway is the dance is for a child & an adult (or High School aged student). It is not a dropoff at the door event with no parent. It's the student and a very important guest to that student. Flyer will come out soon.

6th Grade Committee: Chik-Fil-A fundraiser 3/7. Thanks to everyone for buying ice cream at Ringo & Winter Carnival etc. In April there will be another Wawa voucher sale(we still have some vouchers on hand). Will be doing the food for Mayfair.

No Old/New Business

Any questions or interest in volunteering? See us in person, on Facebook at Roslyn PTO, or email us at questions@roslynPTO.com