

Northside PTA

General Membership Meeting

November 19, 2013

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Susan. Pledge.

President's Report: superintendents meeting: no smoking policy includes electronic cig. Report cards align with common core. Log on to Levittown School District – department-admin and personnel-APPR for APPR results

Principal's Report: parent/teacher conferences on 11/21 & 11/22. No school for students on Thursday and ½ on Friday. Terrific Kid: 1<sup>st</sup> assembly today. School store still not under construction, but the 1<sup>st</sup> day opening will be Friday, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> in the lobby. We will need some parent volunteers. AIS reading meeting will take place tomorrow at 2pm. Teachers will be available to speak with and gain knowledge of the programs and services your children are receiving. Division Ave. mentoring program has started. Students were selected by their teachers, since there were less honor students coming to help. Tuesday: for 2 & 3 grade Thursday: 4 & 5 grades

1<sup>st</sup> V.P.: no report

2<sup>nd</sup> V.P.: To date there are 210 members. The apple iPad will be raffled off tonight.

3<sup>rd</sup> V.P.: today was the pick up of pies for the fall fundraiser. There were about 17 pies not picked up, everyone was called and if they are not picked up by tomorrow they will be donated to the Wisdom Lane pantry

4<sup>th</sup> V.P.: no report

Recording Secretary: Look over minutes from the October meeting. Any corrections? Stand as written.

Treasurer's Report: October 1, 2013 to October 31, 2013 - opening balance \$22,408.43, expenses \$7,189.66, income \$13,064.00, closing balance \$28,282.77. The audit for the month of October were conducted by Jen L. on Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> and everything was found to be in order.

Corresponding Secretary: a thank you was sent from the Papas family

Historian: no report

Council Delegate: SEPTA meeting last night, donated \$100 to the food pantry, Common Core meeting Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>, math and English regents all new. IEP diplomas have been removed and replaced with a certificate. SEPTA is still having their yankee candle fundraiser.

**Standing Committees:**

Cultural Arts: Sticks and Stones (anti-bullying assembly) Butterfly man coming in for 3<sup>rd</sup> in March. Eric's Ed for 4<sup>th</sup> grade

Council Budget: (open)

Elementary Curriculum: no report

Health, Safety & Environment: no report

Family Fun: Slingo date November 15<sup>th</sup>

Food Service: first meeting tomorrow

Hospitality: Thank you Janet and Dina

Legislation & Advocacy: NYS convention this past weekend, to vote on resolutions and amendments. Family reading experience thru kindle: we can apply by Dec. for free kindles for the school. JC Good guest speaker: Hang up and Drive partnered with AT&T: go to [www.itcanwait.com](http://www.itcanwait.com) with your smart phone, to pledge not to text and drive. 295 people attended the convention. 23 workshops were given

Pelican Supply Boutique: Next months date: December 6<sup>th</sup>

Secondary Curriculum: no report

SEPTA: Kevin McCarthy guest speaker: Homework strategies. Discussion on not giving diplomas and starting certificates. ELA going from 3 hr to 6 hr test

Showcase: was updated

Website/Pelican: Dec. 1 next pelican

### **Special Committees:**

By-Laws: approve By-Laws that are up for renewal. Any question or comments? Kristine mad motion to adopt by-laws. Marie 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved. Will be sent out tomorrow

5<sup>th</sup> Grade T-Shirts: Lena C. will take chair

Yearbook: working with School Annual. Candid Pictures were taken last week

Giving Tree: will talk to Mr. Mortillaro about dates. Hardest to get items for older children

Holiday Boutique: sign up sheets on table. Dec 9 set up selling Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>

Honorary Life: no report

LEADD: no report

Nominating Committee: no report

PARP: Keep Calm and Read Dr. Seuss - Feb 3-14<sup>th</sup>

Pictures: retakes were taken on Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>.

Product Labels: fall sent in \$722.60

Reflections: Believe Dream and Aspire theme deadline is Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>

School Clothes: no report

Spring Boutique: Motion made by Elaine D. to use Small World Gift Shop for the spring boutique. Marie 2<sup>nd</sup>. approved

Tribune: no report

### **Liaisons Reports:**

Dollars for Scholars: (open) new name Levittown Community Scholarship Inc. January deadline to apply for scholarship. Debbi Howe new chair.

High School Liaison: next meeting in January. Lost homecoming

Middle School: PTA meeting was 10/22. book fair in Dec. photo retake yesterday. 1<sup>st</sup> dance was well attended

Student Council: today was 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. January: Superbowl of Caring food drive for Wisdom food pantry, April: used book drive for Book Fairies Org., June: Locks of Love. PB&J Gang date tba. Students came up with ideas for fundraising: mathletes & car wash. Still discussing where the money will go. Spirit Days: Dec 13<sup>th</sup>: ugly sweater day & Dec 20<sup>th</sup> pj day. New ideas: bake sale, blanket drive, marathon, socks for vets, clothing drive, hat day (donate \$1), jog-a-thon, art show and music competition, Next meeting: January 14<sup>th</sup>.

Old Business: none

New Business: Music Club wrapping up kids stuff coupon book. Please pay for or return your books. The BOE passed a resolution on high stakes testing.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:23 pm.

### **Dates to Remember:**

1/29: 7:00 pm Levittown Council of PTA's Presentation @ Wisdom Lane

2/5: 7:30 pm Board of Ed Regular Meeting @LMEC

2/10: 7:30 pm SEPTA Meeting @LMEC

2/11: 7:30 pm Board of Ed Budget Planning Session #1 @LMEC

2/13: 7:30 pm Council Meeting @LMEC

2/17 – 2/21: Winter Recess

2/25: 10 am Northside PTA Meeting