

# Liberty Bell PTA Meeting

April 9, 2015

Patti opened the meeting at 9:23

Bill Kennedy, Human Resource Administrator, was introduced to talk about new volunteer policies.

- PA Act 168. New employees get new clearances.
- Volunteers need clearances if: unsupervised direct contact with kids. You will need 3 clearances less than 3 years old. Use SLSD website for forms. It is under "employment".

If you have questions you can call 610-282-3121. Melinda, Secretary has all the information.

IS PTA: Keeli Dicesare is looking for PTA board members for the IS. They need help. Contact Kelli if interested or have questions.

Mr Hafner updates:

- May need committee for art show next year.
- Stage lights are in!
- Passport to the world is tomorrow
- PSSA starts Tuesday.
- Earth Day the 22<sup>nd</sup> of April. Bee guy.
- Author day is 4/30
- 56 kids put in for science fair on 5/1

Teacher Appreciation: May 4-8

Allison Ackerman gave an update and talked about sign up genius.

Votes

Motion to approve the minutes from last month was made and motion passed unanimously.

Motion made to increase budget amount for field trips. Budgeted amount increased \$1800, (From \$4000 to \$5800). This was due to not budgeting for chartered bus. Also, first grade field trip was \$11 per student. Passed unanimously.

### 3rd Grade play –Carnation Sale

Carnation sale was huge success. We sold 100 carnations, could have used 30-40 more. It was suggested we do packaged popcorn and water next year as well.

### Spring Festival. May 15

Angela gave update.

She needs art help week of April 20<sup>th</sup> for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and week of April 27<sup>th</sup> for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Please contact her if you can help.

Diarama contest, teachers will judge Thursday before festival. Parents or children have to have their diorama dropped off Thursday but judging will take place on Friday...during teachers lunch break.

Inside Scoop will be asked to be there for cold treat. Allison is going to ask Gina DeNave to ask them.

Diana's is in need of servers. Please see Angela if you can help.

It was decided to get rid of one of the bounce houses and the train due to budget issues.

Patti asked the Lehigh Valley Future Business Leaders for America kids to be the food servers (won't touch money, won't need parent volunteers) waiting for confirmation on their willingness.

### Art Show

Discussion around if it was too crowded this year. The question was whether it was too much for all 3 activities at once. We felt they worked well together and actually fed each other. Diana and Erin Stauffer will space out the Book Fair next year b/c the library space was far too small for so many adults. We also discussed whether or not the art show should be EVERY year b/c of parents having to buy so much artwork - will it continue to be so successful?? Is this a burden on parents? I'm meeting with Miss McDonnell today - she was saying it was more stress than it was worth and she had some trouble with the company

### Board Member Nominations

Ann is making the calls to those nominated.

Meeting adjourned at 10:47

Respectfully submitted,

Kyle Gangwere

Laura Rush