

Hopewell PTA Meeting Minutes

March 2, 2016

Members Present: Catherine Ziets, Jennifer Clemente, Jennifer Hedden, Carla Stock, Dawn Resch, Shauna Werling, Jessica Makowski, Maria Ault, Jennifer Meaney, Stacey Hostetter, Tiffany Gyuricsko, Lori Limpar, Christina Wasem, Monica Scheinler

I. Call to Order: Jennifer called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

II. Approval of February 2016 Meeting Minutes: Jennifer asked for a motion to approve. Maria Ault approved, Shauna Werling seconded, and all were in favor.

III. Report of Officers:

A. President's Report (Jennifer Clemente)

1. Thanks to Jennifer Hedden and Tiffany Gyuricsko for chairing the Father/Daughter dance that was held on Friday, February 19th. It was a huge success.
2. Thanks to Dawn Resch for organizing the flower sale for Valentine's Day. 850 flowers were ordered and it was a successful fundraiser. Ms. Limpar said the teachers were very appreciative.
3. We are looking for someone to chair the Mother/Son event. One parent has expressed interest to co-chair but would like some help with the planning of the event. If anyone is interested, please let Jennifer know. Maria Ault expressed some interest.

B. Treasurer's Report (Jennifer Hedden)

1. Between the two fundraisers (flower sale & Daddy/daughter dance) the PTA brought in \$827.90.
2. Checking account balance: \$23,264.54 Savings account balance:\$7,779.15 giving us a total cash balance of \$31,043.69
3. Jennifer contacted Dotty, the treasurer from Lower Milford about getting our budgets together and to discuss special events they run during the year. She is waiting to hear back. Ms. Limpar also suggested the two PTA executive boards get together.

C. Principal's Report (Lori Limpar)

1. Today is National Read Across America Day. Ms. Limpar commented on the nice Lorax Bulletin Board put together by Mrs. Ravens.
2. PSSA Testing is scheduled for April 12th-21st for all third graders. There are 4 sessions of Language Arts and 3 sessions of Math. No educational trips are approved during that time (or doctor appointments).
3. Kindergarten Registration will take place at Liberty Bell on April 4, 5, and 6. There is a link online to schedule an appointment and download necessary forms.
 - (a) 3/3 Crazy Sock Day
 - (b) 3/4 Lorax Day Wear Green for the earth or your Hopewell T-shirt
 - (c) 3/11 Make-up day: School in session
 - (d) 3/17: "Go for the Greens Day" wear green and eat green
 - (e) 3/24: Make up Day: School in session
 - (f) 3/25 and 3/28: No school: Spring Break
4. Mrs. Castetter has put out a request. She is in need of boys' elastic pants/shorts sizes 10-12.

IV. Report of Committees:

A. Fundraising (Dawn Resch)

- The Dance for Education (which is replacing the Race for Education) will be held Friday, April 8th during the school day. There will be three different sessions held throughout the school day.
- We will need some volunteers to help out with the dances. The paperwork is being worked on now. Families will be asked to fill out labels of family and friends and then we will send letters out. We are asking for donations for stamps. We hope to send out all this information by this Friday.
- A list of incentives is included in the packet. Our goal is \$10,000.
- Facebook Page: Feel free to post pictures of your own children. If you are posting pictures with other children in it, please check with the classroom teacher. Ms. Limpar said there are a handful of parents who don't want their kids' pictures on Facebook or the Southern Lehigh website or videotaped.

B. Yearbook (Tricia Kutt)

- There have been about 200 yearbooks sold and 60 dedications received. Feel free to submit pictures or comments about your time at Hopewell. The deadline for this is March 18th.
- The deadline for yearbook submission to the publisher is April 1st.

C. Festival (Tiffany Gyuricsko)

- We are in need of someone to chair volunteers for the festival. A sign up Genius has already been established. Ms. Limpar suggested we put this in our Hopewell Newsletters and post on our Facebook page as well. Jennifer said she could forward that link to the volunteers.
- Dr. L thought it would be nice to invite Hopewell alumni to the festival this year because it is the last year in this building. It was suggested we reach out to SLEA to contact alumni staff.

V. Old Business: None

VI. New Business:

- A. Tricia Kutt approached Ms. Limpar about a fundraiser. Once the old building is leveled, we can sell the bricks from the building for a set price to families, faculty and alumni. Ms. Limpar reached out to the Operations Director and the contractor that will work with us for this fundraiser.
- B. Playground: Our existing playground has been dismantled and packed away. Ideally, it would be nice if we could use this and add some additional pieces to it. We would need to purchase new posts and hardware. The district will match half of the cost.

VII. Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 6, 2016 at 9:30 a.m.

VIII. Meeting was adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Catherine Ziets