Liberty Bell PTA Meeting March 12, 2015

Patti opened the meeting at 9:30 am

<u>Budget</u>

Melinda gave update on our budget indicating that we continue to be on target with projections. She asked for an increase in the budget allocation for PSSA snacks as we will be purchasing healthier snacks which cost more.

Patti called vote to increase amount for PSSA snacks from \$300 to \$400. Passes unanimously.

It was also agreed that 'Odyssey of the Mind" funds could go to "PSSA snacks" Passed unanimously.

Yearbook

Patty reported that over 200 have been sold already.

Iron Pigs Game

Sponsored by all SL elementary schools. Kyle gave an update. Sales are very good. More seats had to be purchased. 700 seats purchased. Deadline is March 30.

Lower Milford student won drawing for first pitch. Drawing for free tickets will be this week. The money the person already paid for the tickets will be refunded.

Family Fit Night/ Used Book Sale

Was a success. Great turnout! Book fair made \$613 for our library.

We Are Monsters -3rd grad play – Carnation Sale

Friday March 13. Need two people to help sell carnations.

Sunny and Evelyn volunteered. They will be here at 6.

2015-2016 PTA Board

Patti discussed procedures for board nominations and that there will be a nomination box in the office. Nomination sheet went out this week. You do not need to be a PTA member to nominate. You need to be PTA member to vote.

President has to have served one year on the board.

We need a nominating committee to collect nominating forms, ask those who are nominated if they are willing. Anne, Karen and Lisa volunteered.

Mr. Markley's retirement.

Would like to do something special.

Can we dedicate the lighting system to him, have a plaque or something. We also discussed a director's chair with his name on the back.

Art Show/ Bingo- March 27

Erin Stauffer is heading up the book Fair. It was asked if book fair could start at 5:30. This will need to be approved by Mrs. McDonnell. This could interfere with setting up the art show. (Book Fair needs to start at 6. Will end at 8:30.)

Book fair will also be after school til about 4pm on Tues, Wed, and Thursday of that week.

Sign up genius on-line for people to volunteer to work.

Passport to the World

Tentatively April 10th. We have less countries represented than we have had in the past. We believe this is due to the uncertainty of the date.

Earth Day- April 22

Bee guy- Cliff Sunflower.

Science Fair

Anne V is heading this up. It is tentatively scheduled for May 1st (Day D).

Mr. Hafner approved from and Anne will get flyer out this week or early next week.

Teacher Appreciation May 4-8

Melinda presented. Allison Ackerman is chairing. Sign up genius will be available for the meals. We will be asking for sharpie, highlighter and k cups from parents for gifts for the teachers. Allison will be letting us know what the kids can do.

LBSY (Liberty Bell Supports You)

Cindy Calfone volunteered to head this up. Penny Wars, Alex Lemonade Stand at Spring Festival and at recess was discussed. It is up to Cindy what she wants to do and what charities to have the proceeds go to. She will let us know.

Spring Festival. May 15

Angela gave update and needed help:

-Need vendor to supply cold treat, possibly a girl scout troop. Someone suggested Inside Scoop, but we used them at the Christmas Shoppe and not sure if we can/should call on them again.

-Would like someone to solicit donations from craft stores

-Need used furniture from thrift stores for classes to decorate to be auctioned off.

-She needs people to assist the students to make the projects. Pulling them out of class and make their handprint, wash and get back to class. The class projects will be auctioned off in a silent auction.

-Angela would like music at festival and could use help getting in touch with someone who could provide that.

-Someone is needed to gather silent auction items/baskets

Other Activities covered:

-Outdoor garden – Up to Mr. Hafner to 'cut the ribbon' and make it a big deal.

-Will be selling glowers, herbs and vegetables. Anne V will help Patty with this.

-Diorama contest. Theme is not yet being released. Will be prizes.

-Outdoor activities will include 2 bounce houses, slide and obstacle course.

We talked about a cake walk, but nobody was assigned to head up that activity.

Sunny presented on progress she made with a food Vendor, Diana, from Diana's café. Diana is willing to donate 'the major things' but not the 'appetizer like things'

Diana needs to know exactly what we are looking for and wants a food list, and time list and what the proceeds are going to. She would like to sit down with Angela, Sunny and Patty again. Angela will ensure this happens.

Inside Scoop spirit night

This event will be June 2^{nd} .

Last Day of School

Will be June 10th at this point.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Rush