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Linwood Elementary School PTA

Tuesday, January 16, 2018 | 6:04 pm

In Attendance

President Christina Smentek, Vice President Kari Sampson, Secretary Lisa Roggenkamp, Principal Joe Mueller, Staff Representative Amber Pearl, Rebecca Reid, Katie Johnson, Amy Henry, Ashlee Loch, and Jennifer Braido

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Andi Zacher was not in attendance. President presented the Treasurer's Report.

Books & Breakfast Update

Chairs Jennifer Braido and Ashlee Loch presented the Books and Breakfast. This event will be held on Thursday, February 8th from 8:15-9:15 in the library. Scones, muffins, yogurt, and fruit will be served along with coffee, juice, and water. Bernicks will be supplying some of the beverages for us and the rest will come from the cafeteria. This year features a "Celebrity" guest reader, which is Superintendent Dr. Massey. Discussed about having him read towards the end of the event so parents can try to leave before the buses come in. He will read a short story to the kids. Raffles will be held for free books for the kids. Flyers are made and will be going out in the Friday Folders.

Book Fair Update

We are still looking for someone to step up and Chair this event. It can be a single person or a team of people. Shari has volunteered to help again for this spring, but we need someone to step up.

Linwood Luau Update

Chair Jenaya Nieman was not present. Secretary Lisa Roggenkamp filled in. Things are coming along nicely. We are going to do two waves of food, with the second wave being more of a dessert bar with something like build your own sundae with cookies and/or brownies. New item is a kid's 4-wheeler and helmet to raffle off; tickets will be \$10/piece. We're still accepting donations for the live and silent auctions. Principal Joe Mueller reported that he had talked to the PBIS committee regarding the Kiss the Pig Celebration; it was to be replaced by a pie in the face for this year. Not sure that pushing a pie in a face promotes the PRIDE behavior. Other options for revealing a reward for the kids as they earn more money; longer recess, treats (popsicles), movie, etc... This needs to be discussed with the Luau Committee.

Box-Tops Update

Chair Amy Henry reported that the Snowball Competition ends March 1st. She will be working with the school on a bulletin board for this competition. Keep bringing the box tops in. She also questions about pop tabs as bags of pop tabs have been added to the box tops. Pop Tabs were collected a couple years ago. It was decided

to look into running this program again next year. For now she will continue to collect the pop tabs and work on making box for in the office specific for the pop tabs.

Moonlight Hike

Jennifer Braido reported that the Moonlight Hike will be taking place on Saturday, January 27th. Flyers will be going home in the Friday Folders.

Principal's Report

Joe Mueller reported that Superintendent Massey will be hosting a meeting at the Linwood Senior Center on Tuesday, January 30th to discuss the recent Levy/Bond. He is looking to create a school funding task force. It would include a series of (4) 2-hour meetings; March 6, 20, 27, and April 10 from 6:00 – 8:00pm to look at the schools. Dr. Massey is hoping to get people on the task force who are either unsure about the spend for the school or who are against the spend for the school. Mr. Mueller continued about how the district has a reserve set aside. The reserve is so the district can run for a week in case of an emergency. The district's auditors suggest that reserve be at 8%, but due to budget cuts, the reserve has been cut into year after year. If you are interested in the task force or know someone, please have them contact Joe Mueller.

Joe was also tasked with asking the PTA for funding to purchase a sign (feather sign) that would say "FL K-12 Enrolling Now". Each of the schools is requested to purchase a sign to place by the school to help spark interest in open enrollment. The sign is about \$200. Discussion about the sign took place; thoughts about how it is a good idea. The school is tucked away and hard to see, especially when the leaves are on the trees. Question was brought up about how this helps the PTA. The PTA funding is used for students and programs within the school. The PTA could also assist in the providing some of the funding, if we choose. It was decided to check the budget and decide next month.

A question was brought up about when the new playground is expected. Mr. Mueller reported that due to the schedule with school construction, the earliest would be summer of 2020.

Mr. Mueller posed a question regarding planners for the students. The school sells planners for the 4th-6th at the front office, they cannot change the price of the planners as they cannot make a profit on them. Due to the price it becomes cumbersome to deal with all the misc. change. He was wondering if the PTA would be interested in selling them and rounding the price up to the next dollar, (he thinks like \$2). The school would still sell them as they always have been. But then it would be easy to sell at a whole dollar, and the PTA would be making a small profit. He will discuss with the teachers in the 4th-6th grades to see if they use the planners.

Another question from Mr. Mueller was about a school-wide directory. Is the school providing a directory of all its students ok? Information included would be student name, parents name, address, phone number, maybe email, etc... If they were to do this parents would have an option to opt-out if they do not want their personal information given. Would people like this to arrange play-dates, birthday parties, etc... He would not want this to be used for parents to resolve conflicts between students.

Announcements

President Christina Smentek went over the upcoming dates:

Moonlight Hike	January 27 th
PTA Meeting	February 20 th
Linwood Luau	February 23 rd
Book Fair	March 5 th -9 th

Next Meeting

The next meeting is Tuesday, February 20th at 6:00pm in the Linwood Elementary School Library.

Kari Sampson motioned to adjourn, seconded by Rebecca Reid.

Meeting adjourned at 6:59pm.

Submitted by: *Lisa Roggenkamp*
PTA Secretary