



MINUTES

Linwood Elementary School PTA

Tuesday, September 18, 2018 | 6:04pm

In Attendance

President Christine Smentek, Vice President Kari Sampson, Treasurer Ashlee Loch, Principal Joe Mullen, Staff Representative Tessa Abrahamson, Katie Johnson, Randi Dummer, Angie Anondson, Jenaya Nieman, Jill Olson, Emily Raml, Bob Burthn, Alesia Hansen

Introductions

President Christina Smentek introduced the board member, Kari Sampson Vice President and Ashlee Lock Treasurer. The rest of the attendants introduced themselves and what grade their child is in.

School Forest Committee

Emily Raml talked about the school forest. The forest is 210 acres there is a committee that partners with the township. They would like to see the kids getting out to the school forest more often than what they are using it right now. They give out grants to teachers so if there is something that they would like out there they can go to the school forest committee and ask for the items. They pay for the school naturalist for each class to go out to the forest 3 times per school year however most teachers only do 2 times per school year. Mr. Mullen is also on the school forest committee as well as Jennifer Braido that does things out in the forest with her college students she teaches at Anoka Ramsey. Jennifer Braido also loves to go out with teachers if they would like help out in the forest they just need to contact her to work out day and times. They meet the 1st Monday of every month everyone is welcome. They are looking for a 4-wheeler or golf cart something to have out in the forest while they have a class out there in case there is an emergency. If anyone knows of someone that would like to donate, contact the school forest committee.

Box Tops Update

No update. Chair Amy Henry was not at the meeting.

Treasurer's Report / Budget

Treasurer Ashlee Loch went over the budget for the year, see report for details. We will approve this at next meeting when a few changes are made.

Booster-a-thon will replace the color run. There will be no book fair this school year due to the construction in the school and limited space. However, we have to pay Scholastic for the scholastic news \$1,700.00 for the classrooms.

Conference Meals

Conference Meals take place for the Fall on October 15th and October 16th and again in the Spring on March 19th and March 21st.

Jennya Nieman will Chair this and Angie Anondson will co-chair they will do both fall and spring.

PBIS Shirts / Pride Shirts

We only purchased t-shirts for incoming kindergarten and new students this year. These are also available online to purchase through Innovation Plus.

Moonlight Hike

Moonlight Hike will take place on 10/27/2018- The school forest is partnering with the Linwood senior center for the Halloween party they have not confirmed yet but they are hoping to have wagon rides from the senior center to the school forest.

Committee Assignments

A list of committees we will need this school year was distributed. Asked for members to chair & co-chair planning these events.

Upcoming Events

October 8th at 6pm a community forum at the Linwood Senior Center they would like to see at least 50 people attend. This is an informational forum regarding the upcoming levy/referendum.

Principal's Report

There is a push to have PTA from each Forest Lake School District do a carnival game on October 6th from 10-4pm at the lakefront at Forest Lake. This is not a fundraiser, it is for fun and they need volunteers. Mr. Mullen said he could do it for a couple hours if others will help.

Construction continues they had some leaks but they think these are fixed.

They are doing recess before lunch this year as a trial and so far they seem to think this is going well. They are learning and adjusting time that each grade level needs to eat. They will continue to monitor this and change the length of recess and lunchtime as needed.

Heather is looking for some volunteers for pride ceremonies there have been a lot of the dates filled Christina will talk to Heather to see what dates are still needed.

Next Meeting

Jenaya Nieman would like us to send out the minutes from the meetings when available in case someone can't make it to the meeting one month than they would know what was talked about. Christina informed the group that the minutes are done and they will be brought to the next month's meeting and approved and then at that time they can be sent out.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at 6:00 pm

Linwood Elementary School, Library

Meeting adorned at 6:57pm.

Minutes Taken by: Kari Sampson

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