

Linwood Elementary School PTA

Tuesday, November 12th | 6:00 pm |

In Attendance

President Jenaya Nieman, Vice President Jamie Linder, Treasurer Melissa Benson, Megan Tredinnick, Katie Johnson, Alicia Keeler, Christina Sparby, Angie Anondson, Mandalyn Egerman, Tessa Abrahamson, Jen Braido

Guest Speaker- Sarah Nelson from Cootie Queen

Sarah provided the PTA with lots of myth-busting information. We will be posting her flyer on Facebook and in the PTA Bulletin for additional reference.

Treasurer's Report / Budget

The current budget report was distributed by Melissa Benson the PTA Treasurer. In tonight's meeting, Melissa noted that we are about even on planner sales for the year (\$0.66 short). Also discussed was October's expenses and overview of upcoming expenses. We have currently 20 members, which is the required number to maintain our status as a PTA ! THANK YOU! Book Fair recap and discussion on distributing the Scholastic Dollars among the teachers and support staff. This vote was passed. Tina Sparby and Tessa Abrahamson will assist in getting the PTA a list of teachers and staff for disbursement.

Principal's Report

Principal Joe Mueller was not present at tonight's meeting.

Board Reports

October Minutes were reviewed and approved.

Pride Shirts/Pride Ceremony Volunteers

Discussed what ideas members had about what to do when the kids grow out of their Kindergarten Pride shirts. We came to an agreement and voted that the PTA would provide one shirt per child for Kindergarten and newly enrolled children at Linwood. Any addition shirts would be the parent's responsibility to purchase through Innovation Plus. Forms will be going home with information for ordering with Innovation Plus or you can order them online.

Heather is looking for 1 or 2 volunteers to sign people in for the pride ceremonies on: 11/22, 12/20, 1/31, 2/28, 3/20, 4/24, 5/29 from 2:45-3:15. Mandalyn Egerman will do 11/22. Megan Tredinnick will do 12/20. We are in need of volunteers for the remaining dates. Please email linwoodelempta@gmail.com We need your help!! Thank you

Dairy Queen Fundraiser/ Author Visit

Stacy Bauer is a local author who wrote Cami Kangaroo. The PTA was asked to pay for this author to come to the school, discuss how the writing process works, and other fun facts about writing. It was brought up how valuable an author's visit would be. We voted in favor of having her visit Linwood. She will visit the school for a Full Day for \$400 (5-6 hours). Jennifer Braidon & Tessa are connecting with the author to see if it could coincide with the Books and Breakfast event on February 27th. We will offset the cost with a monthly Dairy Queen fundraiser. For the DQ fundraiser...DQ is willing to donate 10% of ALL sales to Linwood as long as we have two volunteers at DQ from 4pm-7pm on the 3rd Tuesday of the month to assist during the event. The confirmed dates are: 12/17, 1/21, 2/18, 3/17, 4/21 & 5/19. The PTA is looking for volunteers (you can bring your child) for these dates. Please email linwoodelempta@gmail.com. In order to make this successful we need your help! You do not have to be a PTA member ANY parent can volunteer.

Spring Book Fair

We discussed a potential spring book fair because it would increase the profit of Scholastic dollars since the school would get a higher percentage back from the sales on a second event of the year. We discussed when another book fair could take place and details of this event. There was a lot to consider and we will continue the discussion further at the December meeting.

Girl Scouts

The Linwood Troop is looking for girls K-6th who would be interested in joining them. Mandalyn Egerman provided us with some information which will be posted in PTA bulletin board and shared online. Please reach out to Shari Melsa the troop coordinator at 612-325-8822 or sharimelsa@gmail.com to get more information!

Linwood Sensory Room Request

Kate Mitchell (OT in SPED Dept.) reached out via email requesting a \$150 gift card to purchase items for her room (step-ladder for hanging swings safely, command hooks for wall, fine motor calming activities, playdough with tools, puzzle, glitter bottle supplies, plastic rolling drawer). All voted in favor of the request. This will be paid with "Staff Support" budget.

Kindergarten DONATION Request

Kindergarten is looking for some USED toys. Examples are: Potato head, legos, barbies/dolls house, little ponies, play-doh/cookie cutters, dinosaurs, floor puzzles, building toys, magna doodle boards, etc. They are NOT looking for new items, just whatever families are finished with using and are willing to donate. Please give the item to Heather and tell her it's for Mrs. Pitzl.

Next Meeting

December 10th, 2019 | 4:00 pm, Media Center.

Minutes Taken by Jamie Linder and Jenaya Nieman