## HEMPFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT LANDISVILLE ELEMENTARY CENTERS PARENT - TEACHER ORGANIZATION

## Executive Board Meeting May 24th, 2023

Meeting called to order at 6:00 by Mike Sebergandio. Members in Attendance: Mike Sebergandio, Brian Mullen, Jeff Spiker, Michelle Reich, April Custer, Celeste Bush, Danielle Cardone, Ian Daecher, Ron Swantner, Julia Ressler \*\*\*Community Members in Attendance (Signed in): Ganesh Seeniraj, Paula Buohl

- Secretary's Report- Julia Ressler
  - Nothing new to report currently.
- FunFest Report Mike Sebergandio
  - Great success, thanks to all who participated and volunteered!
  - Discuss event, successes, opportunities and review comment sheet (Attached below)
  - Funfest summary book will be completed once all information is compiled.
  - Discuss bracelet discrepancies from event pre-sales. It was suggested to purchase more envelopes ahead of time and acquire extra help to stuff envelopes.
  - Ron and Jeff to take care of the reimbursement of family's lost bracelets and tickets.
  - Treasurer's Report Brian Mullen & Jeff Spiker
  - Regular Treasurer's Report
    - Treasurer transition for Jeff. Email address will remain the same for correspondence. <u>lpclicpto@gmail.com</u>
    - Board vote following October/November 2023 book fair regarding where to place extra funds.
    - FunFest Financial Report

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- Expenses were down by 8%, pre-sale was up 20% and profits increased by 10%. Basket auction increased by 5%.
- PEP Coordinators' Report Michelle Reich & Alicia Brumbach
  - Alicia reported that 6<sup>th</sup> grade end of year activities were this week and last
    - A big thank you to Hannah Royer for chairing the picnic committee. She did a fantastic job! (Ian can talk about today's picnic)
    - A big thank you to all of our 6<sup>th</sup> grade t-shirt sponsors: Pennsy Supply, Landyshade Mulch, Creative Touch Barber Shop, Law Office of Melissa Montgomery, Herr Machine, GJ Palmieri DDS; their sponsorships not only allowed us to provide the usual t-shirt to all students, but add a sleeve message to memorialize a student from the class of 2029.
    - Josh from Bravura graphics was great to work with and did a fantastic job on the shirts
    - We had interest in parents wanting a shirt. They are now available for purchase here: <u>https://www.bravuragraphics.com/product/LIC-Class-of-2029-Signature-Shirt</u>
      - Alicia to put purchase link, for shirt, on PTO facebook page.
  - The final staff appreciation day was on May 5. The PTO paid for a Moe's lunch.
  - Our final PEP meeting was also on May 5. We asked for suggestions and improvements for next year for PEPS; one improvement will be creating an online form for parents to fill out to sign up for PEP rep and/or volunteering. That will allow us to organize the info better and create a better list of volunteers with clearances.
  - Michelle reported All LPC PEPs came together for our May meeting and collected and assembled Fun Fest baskets afterwards. Fun Fest class baskets were amazing as we have an amazing Landisville community and so many giving hearts!

- Due to our amazing fundraising throughout the whole year, The PTO was able to provide our staff with a wonderful themed lunch on May 5th, Nacho Average Staff. Thank you to everyone!
- Anna Reiff is able to take on the role as the new LPC PEP Rep this 2023-2024 school year. She is unable to be here tonight but did send along the following email for everyone.
- Email from Anna Reiff: Hi there, I'm sorry to miss the meeting this evening. If no one else is interested in LPC Pep Coordinator, I'd be willing to take on the role for the 2023–2024 school year. Thanks, Anna Reiff
- Ways and Means Report- April Custer
  - Gertrude Hawk Spring Fundraiser- we closed the year with net earnings of \$5,691.86 which included approximately \$203 additional earnings for some shipping mishaps by the vendor. Online sales increased while paper sales dropped significantly. Overall, gross sales and net earnings were significantly less than last year but we still fared well. Feedback from parents was they wanted brochures sent home.
  - Hersheypark Ticket Sales- conversely, Hersheypark ticket sales skyrocketed this year. To date, the PTO has obtained a net earnings of \$9,235.53, more than triple that of last year. There is also a potential of an additional \$2500 in earnings if we sell the remaining complimentary tickets we earned. Fifty tickets have been offered to our top purchaser at a discounted rate in order; an answer will be received shortly. Otherwise, tickets will remain available on a cash and carry basis over the summer.
  - All earned tickets have been sold and we close our very successful Hersheypark Ticket Sales Fundraiser with a record breaking net earnings of \$11,653.35, a 331% increase over last year (\$2699.30 net earnings last year)
  - The PTO donated five tickets to the Fun Fest Basket Auction which also included a few items donated from Hersheypark.
- Programs Report Celeste Bush & Danielle Cardone
  - Celeste expressed her thanks to the PTO for the catered Moes lunch and that she enjoyed being on the PTO Board.
  - Danielle reported he along with other teachers have begun to research books for OBOS for next school year.
  - Teachers are extremely appreciative of the stipend they were given.
- LIC Principal's Report Ian Daecher
  - Many thanks for the staff appreciation lunch. Loved the food from Moe's. Great job by Alicia Brumbach on a busy day!
  - We had our 3rd grade orientation meetings. Great to meet our future TEAM LIC All-Stars.
  - FunFest was amazing! So grateful to be the principal in a community that provides such a wonderful night for our families! Stacey Gregory, Matt Haines, and Morgan Hughes were incredible prior to event and especially this night.
  - 4th Grade Musical was fantastic. Great job by Mrs. Ord!
  - o Students gave great effort on PSSAs. Students worked extremely hard.
  - Art Show was a success. Steady flow of people all night. Impressive to see so many
  - Combined Chorus, combined orchestra, and combined band nights were great last week. Awesome to see our students perform with other 4th, 5th, and 6th graders.
  - 4th and 5th grade field days were lots of fun. Our 6th grade combined field day was also a blast!
  - Lots of fun events: 4th grade field trip, Great American's day, All-star awards, Team ticket awards, etc.
  - 6th Grade picnic was today. Alicia was great in getting everything organized with Hannah Royer. Again, shout out to DJ Matt Haines for his DJ services.
- LPC Principal's Report- Ron Swantner
  - Pre-School Connections, Kindergarten Screening, Kindergarten Preparations The Owl Hill Learning Academy offers Pre-school for 3 & 4 year old if a family qualifies for the program. It will be held at LIC once again next year. Keep an eye out for Pre-School connections dates once again next school year. Thanks to all of our families with a

student entering kindergarten next year for bringing your child to be assessed and to see how we can help in preparing for their educational journey.

- Career Week Special thanks to ALL of our Community Volunteers for bringin your vehicle to Career on Wheels or bringing your props and experiences to share with our students on Career Day. Your energy and excitement to share what you do is inspiring to our future leaders from the Primary Center.
- Night of the Arts Wow!!! What an amazing turnout from the community to see any of Mrs. Ernst's twelve musical performances as well as Mrs. Beidler's display of the awesome art work from our Primary students. The Aviary in the LGI was a special treat :-) Thank you to our many volunteers who were in for a month or two helping Mrs. Beidler to create such an awesome atmosphere highlighting the talents of our young artists.
- Celebration of our Third Graders Cylo dropped in to cheer on our third graders as they
  prepare for LIC and "life". We reviewed what it takes to be successful beyond the walls of
  the Primary Center through a fun assembly led by one of our very own staff members
  portraying a game show host and making the assembly extra fun.
- PSSA Assessments Kudos to our third graders for persevering through their first state assessment, Each year will offer new data to see their growth.
- Second Grade Cultural Day Special thanks to our families who were able to come in and share more about their culture, traditions, and history. Second grade was super excited to learn more about some of their classmates, their family, and their cultural backgrounds. THANK YOU!!!
- Special Days Carnival, Camp Day, Fun in the Sun, Space Day Culminating days to have some fun after a year of hard work would not be possible if it were not for the great volunteers at LPC :-)
- Field Week Thank you Mr. McCracken for offering such a solid and fun year in physical education while Mrs. DeVries was away. The students loved Field Day and never missed a beat or step in learning their skills for physical development given not only your experience and knowledge, but the way you presented and taught it with kindness, care and precision.
- The Festival It can only be so big and it really can't get better; can it??? Well, it seemed to out do itself once again this year. Many of our PTO officers go above and beyond on this special day to raise more funds than any other day, but the number of volunteers and coordinators on the Sign Up Genius sheet offer evidence of the Landisville Community's commitment to come together for our kids and our schools. THANK YOU to Everyone who made this day such a HUGE Success!
- Special Recognitions from PTO Teachers and staff so appreciate the special lunches and little notes, massages, and small gifts from time to time to keep them motivated and appreciated.
- Bucket Filling and PBIS Incentive Assemblies We ended this school year with another big celebration of our Bucket Fillers by allowing them to throw water balloons at willing staff to take a hit and some splash from the aftermath. Several students from each class got to throw some balloons and an ALL STAR student or two was able to toss water out of a bucket all over some staff members. FUN for Everyone!
- EOY Academics and Assessments with all grade levels LPc is busy gathering and charting data to compare student growth and learning from the beginning of the year to where students are ending the year. We will once again assess every student in September to determine who might receive some extra help from our specialists while monitoring growth for the next year in their journey to plan and prepare targeted learning experiences for helping each child grow.
- Field Trip Dutch Apple Theater Second grade got to experience an amazing trip with a meal and show. Teachers were so proud of your children for the respect and responsibility they showed with this special PTO Funded experience.
- HHS Recognized and offered the MKS Service Award Winner sponsored by the Landisville PTO: Congratulations to Brent Andrew and Best wishes to Brent as he embarks on life after High School

- Staffing changes in 2023-24- Miss Campbell will be moving upstairs to Second grade and Mrs. Mulcahy and Mrs. yoder will be moving to our Substitute list as they officially retire from full time employment but still feel the love and connection to Landisville; they have assured me they can't just leave....like our Former President's Grill; they will return to their former roles in classrooms. It's hard to walk away from our Landisville Family. We try to never say, "Goodbye", instead we say, "See you later."
- Thank you to PTO Unfinished business will recognize Brian Mullen, April Custer, Michelle Reich and Celeste Bush for their past two to four years of service on the Executive board of the PTO. But every member on this PTO continues to offer 'awe' in your service to our Landisville Community. It is truly rewarding to be a part of a school community that has the support of so many wonderful parents. THANK YOU!
- Presidents Report- Mike Sebergandio
  - Thank you card from 2nd grade teachers
- Family Engagement
  - Play learning games; your mind needs exercise too
  - How to kick start reading over the summer
    - https://www.theatlantic.com/education/archive/2014/07/how-to-kick-startsummer-reading/373737/
    - Daniel Willingham's recommendation for what a child should do every day this summer
      - Do something for your brain (read, math facts)
      - Do something for your creativity (write, practice music, etc.)
      - Do something for your body (walk, swim, practice a sport)
      - Do something for your family (chores, etc.)
- PTO Board 2023-2024 Elections Board
  - President Due to VP leaving the District, Mike Sebergandio will stay on for 2023-2024, upon approval of the PTO Board, so the incoming VP can fulfill the 2023-2024 role. Brian motioned for Mike to continue on as president. Jeff seconds the motion. All in favor.
  - Voting Shall take place for the following roles:
    - VP Nominee Ganesh Seeniraj. <u>seeniraj@gmail.com</u> Mike motioned to accept Ganesh as VP. April seconds the motion. All in favor.
    - Ways and Means Paula Buohl <u>pbuohl@gmail.com</u> and Jenn Meyer <u>isliko@gmail.com</u> April offered to stay on for an additional year to assist with Ways and Means. Bylaws were discussed regarding an additional year. It was suggested to discuss possibly amending the bylaws at the next August meeting. Ron suggested amending the term to a 3 year term for Ways and Means. Mike motioned to keep April Custer on as a "W&M non board member mentor" until the board meets again in August to address the situation. Jeff seconds the motion. All in favor. April made a motion to nominate Paula for LPC Ways and Means Coordinator. All in favor.
    - PEP Coordinator LPC Anna Reiff . Michelle Reich nominated Anna Reiff as PEP Coordinator. April seconds the motion. All in favor. Michelle to reach out to her. Julia to reach out and update Board Members' contact info sheet.
      - LPC Teacher Rep Rachel Campbell will be the incoming rep, replacing Celeste.
- Unfinished Business
  - PTO Facebook page. Was Erin Risser contacted?
    - Michelle Reich, Alicia Brumbach, Carolyn Hernandez, Morgan Hughes are all administrators. Paula offered to help manage the PTO facebook page. Paula to be added as moderator.
    - Watching for advertising or scams on our Facebook page
  - Shed Update Ron Swantner to share status
    - The shed will be a donation to the district with the guidelines of PTO storage getting first priority then allowing the district to use the remaining space.
    - Playground maintenance expected to be finished by 8/1/23.

- Thank you to outgoing Board Members: Brian Mullen, April Custer, Michelle Reich, Celeste Bush
- New Business
  - Book Fair Funds Ian, Ron & Brian.
  - FunFest Date and FMX sign-out. Julia to coordinate reserving the quad parking lot for next year's Fun Fest.
  - Review our successes and opportunities from our 2022-2023 PTO year.
    - Google Doc submissions
    - Meet on Wednesdays next year. First meeting at LIC at 6:00pm on 8/9/23.
- Mike Sebergandio motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:01pm. Julia Ressler seconds the motion. All in favor.