

HEMPFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT - LANDISVILLE ELEMENTARY CENTERS PARENT - TEACHER ORGANIZATION

Executive Board Meeting Minutes January 11, 2022 via ZOOM and In-Person

Attendance: Matt Haines, Ron Swantner, Ian Daecher, Wendy Martin, Jacob Melusky, Mike Sebergandio, Michelle Reich, Mindy Reese(Zoom) **Guest:** Karen Youtz

Call to Order: Matt Haines called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Secretary's Report: Wendy Martin reported

- Holiday Shoppe was a success
 - Thank you to all the volunteers that gave up their time to help make this a success
 - Just waiting on the company for the invoice to pay

Treasurer's Report: Brian Mullen (submitted report)

- 2021-2022 we look financially stable for the year as long as we are able to continue our fundraising efforts throughout the year.
 - Holiday Shoppe Invoice still open- waiting on company for paperwork
- Fit walk donations- Thank you to all that have supported our Landisville staff, students and families.
- We are currently looking for a Treasurer for a year of training with our current treasurer in addition to two years of support for our PTO. Please email ian_daecher@hempfieldsd.org if you are interested! Posted on PTO Facebook Page

PEP Coordinator's Report: Mindy Reese (LIC) (Submitted report) and Michelle Reich(LPC) reported

- Thank you to the overwhelming support of the Landisville Community for giving in any way possible when called upon
 - All of the donations go towards supporting our students and staff- THANK YOU!
- Family Fun Night has been tabled until the Spring
- Next PEP meetings for LPC, are scheduled for January 27 and March 2 at 2PM
 - Valentine Day Preparations
- Next PEP meeting, for LIC, is scheduled for Friday January 21, 2022 at 9am.
- LIC and LPC PEP emails are going out every other Friday with important information and reminders, and sign-up geniuses when needed
- 6th Grade planning is in full effect
- PTO will pay for snacks for Career Day
- Basket Auction Discussion is in progress
 - Tentative Zoom meeting for Basket Auction pre-planning February 17 @ 7PM

Staff Appreciation Events

- March 18, 2022 -Staff Appreciation Luncheon
 - All donations can be dropped off at 7:45 AM for set-up at 8:15AM
 - PTO will donate the luncheon for both LPC and LIC
- May 6, 2022 – Teacher Appreciation -Breakfast or Lunch & Snacks
 - All donations can be dropped off at 7:45 AM for set-up at 8:15AM
 - PTO will donate the breakfast for both LPC and LIC

Ways & Means Report: April Custer

All upcoming events will be shared with all Parents/Guardians through email by the PEPS every first and third Friday of each month

- Dine Outs -
 - Organize Food trucks for April 5, 2022 during Arts Night
 - Scoops Food Truck,

- Fit Walk donation record total update is \$18,193
 - Thank you to our sponsors and family support
 - Platinum Sponsor: Greenawalt Roofing
 - Gold Sponsor: Jeramie McLaughlin Team of Berkshire Hathaway
 - Silver Sponsor: EG Stoltzfus Construction and Law Office of Melissa Montgomery
 - Bronze Sponsor: Obscure Tattoo Studio (in kind via the T-shirt artwork)
- Spirit Wear – Researching to see when and what items we will be offering
- Family Fun Night has been tabled until the Spring
- Thanksgiving Promo for family engagement and fundraising opportunity during the holidays
 - Private movie showing was fantastic and additional Dine-out Opportunities were great
 - Thanks to Miller's Ale House, Parma Pizza and Menchie's

Program's Report: Jacob Melusky (LIC) and Celeste Bush (LPC)

- Staff truly appreciates stipends
 - 3X a year, Much appreciated by the staff
 - Great feedback from the provided snacks to the staff- Thank you PTO

Vice President's Report: Mike Sebergandio reported

- Funfest planning is in process
 - Negotiating with carnival vendors and discussing activities to have on site
 - May 13, 2022 – Funfest approved date Possible Rain date TBD

LIC Principal's Report: Ian Daecher reported

- Giving Tree
- PBIS reminder videos
- One Book/One School event has kicked off, Grade level assemblies
- 1/27 Family Engagement OBOS evening event for LIC
- Mid-year testing starting, Will do data teams
- April 5th Night of the Arts
- Planning in progress- 4th grade field trip, 6th grade field trip, 6th grade field day, 6th grade promotion picnic 6th Grade Biz Town trip in January

LPC Principal's Report: Ron Swantner reported

Special thank you to the PTO and all their support of staff during these pandemic teaching years with reaching out to offer a snack prior to the Holiday Break. Many families willingly donated to our Giving Tree Project and the PTO supported families in need within the Community through Gift Cards over the Holiday Break.

We are thankful to welcome volunteers back into the building to support our students and staff. We are hopeful to add school wide volunteering opportunities like in the cafeteria with ice cream sales in addition to the specific classroom opportunities and celebrations many community members supported in November and December.

Co-Vid exists and does create challenges for adequate staffing. The Hempfield School District will be hosting three Job Fairs on Thursdays in January on the 13th, 20th and 27th for anyone interested, willing, able and desiring to join the Hempfield team. We have many support staff openings across the District in Food Services, Support staff roles with individual students, classrooms, aide roles, and maintenance. Even if you cannot commit to the hours of support staff full time, you may be able to register for substituting on the days that offer more flexibility. Thanks for considering to join our Hempfield Team beyond volunteering in a potential staff role.

We are thankful for the Book Machines to promote Literacy at both LPC and LIC through our PBIS programming and recognition of the great effort of our students. Thanks to all families whom read with

their children during LPC's One School, One Book Mr. Popper's Penguins month of December to encourage and motivate reading as a family.

As the new calendar year has arrived, so too has some new reading specialists at LPC in Mrs. Jennifer Hartman and Mrs. Katie Forrester. Mrs. Hartman and Mrs. Forrester will be assisting Mrs. Kristi Miller in our middle of the year assessments of all students to see the growth they have made since the year started. We will then be using this data to purposefully target and plan intentional instruction in both the large and small group settings to benefit our students based on the need as we strive to help them grow, learn and succeed daily.

Keep an eye out for information related to Career Week coming to LPC. Mrs. Neff may be gone, but her legacy and the impact she made in Landisville will never be forgotten. Mrs. Thomas, Miss Vigna and Mr. Resh look to carry on the joyful learning experience of bringing our community together to share careers with our primary students to motivate, encourage and inspire them to want to grow up and make a difference through their future career impact on others. We look to extend our Career Day in to Career Week activities which will include a Career on Wheels Day. If your Career requires use of a vehicle that you have access to and can possibly bring to LPC from 11:00 – 1:30 on a day in late March, we are hopeful you will be willing to join us to share this with our students. Thanks in advance for looking out for this Career Week opportunity to share with all students while your child beams if you are able to make any/all of the experience.

Kindergarten Orientation Night will be Tuesday, March 8, beginning at 6:30. Pass the word to neighbors and friends to register through the web if they have an incoming kindergarten child next year. Parents will then be invited to meet staff on the March 8th for a brief orientation to school programming and to sign up for an April screening date for their child. We can always benefit from a few parents helping us with sing up for an hour on this March date. Look for a Sign-Up Genius from our PEP Coordinator, Mrs. Michelle Reich.

Lastly, information pertaining to a Celebration of the Arts Week (April 4-8), PSSAs (April 25-May 5), Field Week (May 16-20) and other special events will be coming to you through teacher communications and/or the LPC News site off the Hempfield School District Homepage. Thank you to every parent that positively partners with the school in the best interest of your child. You are a member of our Parent – Teacher – Organization.

Family Engagement Update:

- LIC and LPC has the One School One Book that engages students to read in school and at home with friends, family and staff members.
 - 1/27 Family Engagement OBOS evening event for LIC

How can I help my child do better at school?

Family Engagement Tip(s):

Enjoy family time together and don't make it "more school" or "more work". The start of a new year after the Holidays is a great time to implement or keep up with Family Game Nights. Once or twice a week, pull out some Cranium Brain Games to play as a family. They can be math focused like Uno, checkers, Blockus, Cirkus Rush Hour, Kids Monopoly, Life, Battleship, or any other host of games that include logical thinking, counting or number relationships with algebra or geometry.

You might also consider more thinking and problem-solving games like Clue Jr, Headbands, or even chess if you dare. In any case, the more time you set aside to play games and have fun, you teach your children to take turns, think, be patient, learn sportsmanship to win without being boastful and learn what to do or strategize to improve when not being declared the 'winner' the next time.

As always, reading a story with your child and discussing it by making connections and predicting what will happen along the way will always help to keep them connected and focused with their literacy learning.

Although Mr. Popper's Penguins is complete, you can find and select a chapter book of interest to spend ten to fifteen minutes a night reading together to show how all of you value reading together.

President's Report: Matt Haines reported

- Funfest negotiating is in process
- Planned VIP Dances
 - TBD if we have an end of March VIP Dance
- All Pro-Dads looking forward to starting up again
- Discuss and create activities for PTO Fundraising
 - Add additional Special Events for Kids

Unfinished Business:

- Submit bylaws for review by the PTO Board for January Meeting approval/changes-Sign at March Meeting

New Business:

- Leadership Committee submitted requests of the PTO for supplies
 - Approved to support the requests in full for teachers and students

Matt Haines motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:41PM Mike Sebergandio Approved 2nd Motion by Wendy Martin. All were in favor: Unanimous