

HEMPFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT - LANDISVILLE ELEMENTARY CENTERS PARENT - TEACHER ORGANIZATION

Executive Board Meeting Minutes March 9, 2021 via ZOOM

Attendance: Matt Haines, Ron Swantner, Ian Daecher, Wendy Martin, Brian Mullen, Megan Murphy, Jacob Melusky, Mindy Reese, Melissa Montgomery, Jessica Gast, Karen Youtz, Chris Woolfolk

Guests: Carolyn Hernandez, Liz Djaraher

Call to Order: Chris Woolfolk called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Secretary's Report: Holiday Shoppe company that we have used in the past is asking for a commitment for next year to be the chosen company, no money down required. Unanimously in Favor to move forward.

Treasurer's Report: Brian reported that fiscal year to date as of 02/28/2021 we are at a net loss of \$-14,081.38. Fit Walk revenues were \$5,548.13 were recorded in January and February.

The PTO continues to be in a very strong position to continue to weather the uncertainty in the current years' revenue streams.

All three bank accounts (Operating, Money Market and PayPal) are fully reconciled through February 28, 2021. Any member that would like to review the reconciliations or financial statements is free to contact him.

PEP Rep. Coordinator's Report: Melissa & Mindy shared that the PEP Coordinators are very successful and going well. Mindy motioned: the PTO pay for the Staff Appreciation Luncheon including Subway Subs and desserts. Brian Mullen 2nd the Motion in favor, to move forward T-shirt artwork shared and approved for the 6th grade picnic. Suggestion to have a DJ at the picnic if possible. Funfest Baskets with the Peps will begin soon.

SPAC Report: Matt reported that the majority of the meeting was discussing Covid 19 questions and safety and protocols. PSSA's were discussed for 2021. School Calendar was discussed and posted that the school year will no longer have built in snow days and school will begin August 24 2021 and end on May 27, 2022. Full Day Kindergarten was discussed and the spacial issues to adding more students to a building.

Ways & Means Report: Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser has begun. Online sales as well as submitted orders are going very well so far. Spirit wear Store is open through March 22, 2021.

Dine-outs will continue throughout the rest of the school year: Moe's Meal kit option-was easy and seamless.

- Dine Out Events- PENDING April: Hot Z's - May: Scoops
- BJ's Membership Renewal Coming soon

Program's Report: Jacob reported that the stipends to teachers were handed out just before break for LIC and greatly appreciated. Megan handed out the mid-year stipends for LPC. All teachers were appreciative and excited about the stipend. All the teachers are excited for the warmer weather outside to arrive.

Vice President's Report: All vendors have been contacted and contracted for Fun Festival. Working on the details for how the Fun Festival will be organized for people to be present and keep everyone safe.

LIC Principal's Report: Many thanks to having funds for our playground equipment. Different equipment needed purchased this year because of COVID. We are turning to the third trimester. Grades will be posted soon. We are looking forward to our Friday Staff Appreciation Brunch. We are also looking forward to the Funfest and 6th grade promotion. Virtual 4th grade tour followed up by a summer tour. 3rd graders will tour LIC in person. 6th graders will tour the middle school.

LPC Principal's Report: Ron thanked the PTO for their perseverance, persistence and commitment while being innovative and creative with great suggestions to keep things moving forward with positive energy and opportunities for the Landisville community.

Classrooms are teaming up to share Fun Fest Basket ideas for the thought of the virtual Basket Auction in May. Teachers and staff are being trained for the upcoming PSSA's. Plans for keeping everyone safe and following Penn Medicine, LGHealth and DOH protocols continue to be at the forefront when brainstorming ideas to engage the students and community during this unique school year.

LPC Kindergarten, first and second grade classrooms will participate in an Agriculture in the Classroom virtual opportunity in mid-March. We are excited and thankful to work with partners for providing these additional opportunities to advance our students' thinking and learning.

Kindergarten Orientation will be a virtual presentation on March 15, 2021. Thanks in advance for passing the word and the patience everyone has displayed with understanding the challenges of connection due to protocols related to safety. LPC's staff is committed to connecting with any and all new families however possible as we navigate electronic means to answer questions, offer information and prepare for their children's first educational experience in the Fall. Our reading specialists and designated staff will be trained with new assessments to offer our primary children for better learning and understanding their needs through the assessment criteria.

Spring event planning with special activities like: The Art Show, Music presentations, and Field Day are still being discussed as to how we can continue to offer experiences for our students even if they look different and cannot have the same attendance from families as they have in the past. More information will come out regarding these special activities in the near future. We also have not totally abandoned the idea and planning for a possible Career Day, Career on Wheels or Career Café opportunity which may allow a number of you to share your career and profession with our students in a structured day following health and safety protocols while motivating them to pursue and investigate future careers to improve our society.

LPC continues to recognize our Bucket fillers through our PBIS rewards and incentives focusing on a Spring splash where students selected from the Giant LPC Bucket may get to douse staff members and have some fun as part of this school wide incentive programming to promote positive behaviors and choices.

Family Engagement Update:

LIC: We are doing a Title 1 read aloud night as a district in which I had an opportunity to host last week. We also celebrated Diverse Readers week last week in which we introduced a variety of books to our students.

LPC: Monday, March 29, 2021 will kick off the One School One Book (Nim's Island) family engagement opportunity to read with your children, make connections to the book, think aloud and ask questions as you enjoy literature together in your home. Books and information will be coming home soon. The conclusion of the book will bring a culminating Reptile Assembly experience to our students through an outdoor event. Make sure to ask them all about it to expand their vocabulary related to school learning and the experiences we are sharing together at LPC.

President's Report: A special Thank you to Chris and Melissa for fully funding one of the book vending machines from the entire PTO board.

New Business: Working on Funfest ideas. Carolyn Hernandez and Liz Djaraher discussed the opportunity to conduct a Virtual Basket Auction for 2021. Chris Motioned that Carolyn and Liz will research and choose an online auction company Brain 2nd Motion in favor Benefits could be more people would participate and we can reach a larger audience by being virtual vs only in person. We had 2 interested parties in joining the executive board for the PTO. There were no attendees that accepted the PTO intro zoom invitation to the PTO.

Chris motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 p.m. All were in favor.