



Fort Washington Elementary School PTA Minutes
General Membership Meeting
November 13, 2018

PTA President, Jenny Shapiro, called the meeting to order at 7:12 PM.

Welcome, Jenny Shapiro

- Jenny Shapiro, PTA President, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Principal's Report, Shawn McAleer

- Stage Café will be on Thursday, November 15th for November birthdays.
- Town Meeting will be on Friday, November 16th and will feature Kindergarten.
- Mrs. Bassett adopted a baby and will return mid-December.
- Turkey Trot will be Friday, November 16th and the rain date will be Wednesday, November 21st.
- PSSA scores showed that FWES students had growth in math and reading.
- AM Academy will continue through December.

Teacher Liaison Report, Mrs. Ricci, Mrs. Fatiga

- Mrs. Ricci requested lines be painted on the upper playground for soccer and football. She also requested soccer goals.
- Mrs. Fatiga requested board games for indoor recess.

School Board Report, Sara Rothman

- New windows and window AC units will be installed at FWES during summer 2019.
- Water tests came back at a safe level of 1ppt (part per trillion) for PFCs. A new water fountain with filter has been added to the 4th/5th hallway. New water fountains are also being added to the 1st/2nd/3rd hallway.
- SRMS Project – Modular classrooms will be installed this summer and the 6th graders will move into them for the 2019-2020 school year. The new building is scheduled to open in 2022.
- The school board has started contract negotiations for the teachers' contract. The current contract ends at the end of this school year.
- The next school board meeting is on December 10th.

Business Meeting

- Teachers' lounge makeover was voted on and approved. It will cost approximately \$4k to complete the makeover. There will be all new furniture and the lounge will now have multiple zones; kitchen, dining, sitting area. The project is scheduled to be completed MLK weekend.
- October minutes were approved.
- Treasurer's report is attached.
- A Traveling Trunk from the African American Museum will be at FWES for two weeks in February.
- Committees
 - Spirit Wear orders were due 11/9. No longer accepting additional orders.
 - Cradles to Crayons - there is a bin in the lobby for donations.
 - The Holiday Shop – teachers will give the option for students to stay in the classroom during the holiday shop.
 - After School Activities – email Jenn Fountain if you would like to volunteer. Classes will be held on Tues/Thurs from the end of Jan to mid-Mar.
 - Directory – Directory Spot is updated and live. We are still working on the paper directory.

- FWES Better Together – We are adding information on translation services and financial assistance on all forms. We will also have guest readers in January from the African American and Black Students and Families group.
- Bingo will be February 1, 2019.

Announcements

- American Education Week is November 12-16th.
- Barnes and Noble Night is November 15th
- Turkey Trot is November 16th
- Town Meeting (Kindergarten) is Friday, November 16th at 2pm.
- Holiday Shop is November 26-28th.
- Next PTA Meeting (new date) Tuesday, December 11th at 7pm

Thank You

- Pam Olshefski, Jenn Kuznits and Ginny Vitella for Trivia Night.
- Suzanna Duffy for the Blood Drive.
- Melissa Corcoran for Chipotle Dine and Earn.
- Donna Murphy for the Manners Assembly.

New Business/Old Business

- There is a chemical clean-out program on November 29th for teachers and schools.
- Lifetouch is waiting for re-takes to send class photos.
- There is a PTA Facebook page – Fort Washington Elementary School PTA.
- Report cards will only be available via the Home Access Center (HAC). Paper report cards will not be sent home this year.

Jenny Shapiro thanked all for coming and adjourned the meeting at 8:06 PM.

Minutes prepared by Sandra Atherholt, on November 20, 2018.

TREASURER'S REPORT: November 13, 2018 PTA Meeting

Date	Type	Ck#	Description	Amount
Income				
10/9/2018	DEPOSIT		Welcome Back Packets Deposit #1	9,053.00
10/17/2018	DEPOSIT		Welcome Packets Deposit #2	7,510.00
10/25/2018	DEPOSIT		4th Grade Field Trip - Pennsbury Deposit	2,220.00
10/25/2018	DEPOSIT		Welcome Packets Third Deposit	299.00
10/25/2018	DEPOSIT		Simple Greek Dine and Earn Spring 2018	550.00
10/30/2018	DEPOSIT		Elementary Connections Fall 2018 Cash Back Check	303.51
10/30/2018	DEPOSIT		Welcome Back packets Deposit #4 - one pretzel form	30.00
			Total Deposits	\$ 19,965.51
Checks				
10/1/2018	CHECK	1622	Sandra Atherholt, Map Skills Books (3rd Grade - Cont Press 645590) & Costco Salads (Room Parent Luncheon 9.24.18)	680.14
10/1/2018	CHECK	1623	Jamie Jakubowitz, School Store Supplies Geddes Invoice 684427 9.5.18	241.50
10/9/2018	CHECK	1624	Frances Graham, PSA Welcome Back Social - gratuity for custodians	20.00
10/9/2018	CHECK	1625	librarians book express, Inv 1310088 Ft Washington Elem Acct 34450 NU Book Buddy	294.39
10/17/2018	CHECK	1626	Shawn McAleer, ENR Patriot Award: Prizes for PBIS/Mac Bucks (Five Below 10/07/18)	159.00
10/17/2018	CHECK	1627	Mary DePaul, NU Book Buddy: 1st Deposit for Purchases	600.00
10/17/2018	CHECK	1628	Kate St. Clair, Welcome Back Social Reimburse: Giant (9.14-WI, Ice, Spoons, Napkins) & BJ's (9.14-Water)	122.29
10/17/2018	CHECK	1629	Pennsbury, Fort Washington Elem 10/30/18 4th grade FT M. Hendricks	1,488.00
10/17/2018	CHECK	1630	School District of Upper Dublin, FWES 4th Grade FT: 10/30/18 Pennsbury Manor	698.58
10/22/2018	CHECK	1631	Sandra Atherholt, SWG: Docking Stations 4th Grade Amazon Order 831-9785008 09/28/18	567.69
10/29/2018	CHECK	1632	Pennsylvania PTA, Fort Washington Elementary #1310 Reg #12 Dues 2018-19	1,365.00
10/29/2018	CHECK	1633	Mary DePaul, NU Book Buddy Installment #2	600.00
10/29/2018	CHECK	1634	Montgomery County Extension, Ft Washington Elementary Embryology F Duntzee 11/5/18	285.00
10/30/2018	CHECK	1635	Shawn McAleer, Fall Trivia Night - DJ 11/2/18	500.00
10/30/2018	CHECK	1636	Trinity Church Ambler, Fort Washington Elementary School Fall Trivia Night 11/2/18 P. Olshefski	100.00
10/30/2018	CHECK	1637	Jen Kuznits, Front Window Beautification Staples 10.27.18 & Andersons 10.23.18	47.39
			Total Checks	\$ 7,768.98

