

**COLUMBUS HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION
MEETING MINUTES - SEPTEMBER 26, 2018**

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Sabrina Petrella

Jennifer Pieloch

Nicole Skwarek

Stephannie Lopez

Jeannie Pompei

Nicole Kekesi

Adriana Javick

1. Welcome and Introductions.
2. Secretary Reports - last meetings minutes can be found on the CHAS website.
3. Treasurer Report along with review and approval of the 2018 - 2019 operating budget.
4. School Staff Present - Mrs. Tellefsen.
5. Principle Reports - provided by Mr. Kershner.

JHES:

- New technology will be used in the school including interactive flat screens, iPad for classes, and 2nd grade has started with 1:1 Chrome Book use.
- The Gardening Club @ JHES is starting and parent volunteers are needed; please contact Principal Cullari if you are interested.
- October 1st - 4th will be the first Week of Respect.
- Spirit days are being coordinated between both school and teachers will continue to send home reminders to children.
- October 10th will be picture day at JHES.

MTES:

- Thank you for the back to school luncheon.
 - Schools will be going paperless - all flyers will be emailed this year.
 - New technology such as flat boards and a test pilot of smart screens will be seen by students.
 - A 6th grade safety patrol is being developed – information will be coming home soon.
 - A 6th grade student council/classroom representative will be starting.
 - Music is now available in the cafeteria and there is open lunch seating for students; there is also a ticket program during lunch period that students are rewarded for good behavior, prizes are pulled on Wednesday.
 - On October 15th there will be a parent curriculum meeting.
6. Membership and Volunteer Signs Ups - You can still sign up to be a CHAS member and to volunteer for events. If interested in an event please email to chairperson. Please make sure to pay your CHAS dues.
 7. Meeting Structure - There is now a change to the meeting structure due to low turnout. Meetings will be held monthly but focus on upcoming event planning and idea sessions. There will be three general meetings. See dates below.
 - **October 17th - planning session at 8pm. To include 4th grade (evening) Halloween Party, Trunk-or-Treat, class fall parties, first grade fun night, and Family Paint Night.**
 - November 14th - planning session at 8pm

- December 19th - planning session at 8pm
- January 6th - general membership meeting at 8pm
- February 20th - planning session at 8pm
- March 20th - planning session at 8pm
- April 17th - planning session at 8pm
- May 15th - general membership meeting at 8pm
- June 12th - planning session at 8pm

8. Flyers and communication

- Peach Jar is being used to electronically send home flyers
- Facebook page will have event information and flyers
- Email Newsletters
- Executive Board contact information is available on the website

9. Holiday Shop Shoppers are needed - please contact Sabrina if you are able to assist. Volunteer committee formed. Will begin planning asap.

10. Movie Night at Iron Plow is 10/4, rain date 10/11.

11. JHES Book Fair - need daytime volunteers!

12. Yearbook Committee - if interested there will be a meeting on 10/23 from 7-8pm or contact Nicole (nikolelg@aol.com).

13. Holiday Ornaments: discussed providing one ornament per family instead of per student to increase the quality without increasing cost.

** Thank you to the MTEA for the refreshments **

Upcoming Events:

- KidStuff Books Fundraiser: 9/23-10/8 (dariazola@msn.net)
- Family Outdoor Movie Night: 10/4, 6-8pm; Iron Plow Vineyards (spetrella1@gmail.com; karasteele04@yahoo.com)
- School Closed: 10/5 & 10/8
- Board of Education Meeting: 10/9; MTES library @ 6:30pm
- Scholastic Book Fair @ JHES: Blast Off 10/12; Class Visits: 10/15-10/19 (jleightonesq@gmail.com)
- Johnson/s Locust Hall Farm Fall fundraiser: 10/13 & 10/14 (jeanniepo@comcast.net)
- Wacky Science Assembly @ JHES: 10/26 (jeanniepo@comcast.net)
- 4th Grade Halloween Party: 10/26 @ MTES Cafeteria (cguidotti123@gmail.com; nikolelg@aol.com)
- Trunk or Treat: 10/28 @ MTES parking low (cguidotti123@gmail.com)
- Class Fall Parties and Parades: 10/31
- 1st Grade Fun Night: 11/2 @ JHES (eeliberatore@aol.com)
- Family Paint Night: 11/16 @ MTES (karasteele04@yahoo.com)

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 17th @ 8pm

Submitted by Nicole Kekesi, Recording Secretary