

General Membership Meeting 3/6/19

Board Members in Attendance: Chris Andes, Kelly White, Hitesh Uppal, Janice Moyer, Wendy Pekol and Kris Bautsch

22 Members in Attendance

Meeting called to order by Chris Andes at 7:02pm

Welcome-Chris welcomed everyone to the March meeting.

Guest Speakers- Limerick Elementary School's Instructional Assistants (Meet and Greet) - Kris introduced our group of instructional assistants in attendance.

- Shannon Osbourne-Newest assistant, full-time in April, Fun Fact: She was a private investigator
- Wendy Trump- 13 years at LES, works with 2nd and 4th, lunch and recess duty, Fun Fact: She belongs to two book clubs
- Angela DeRosato- Worked at BASD, many years at LES, Fun Fact: She is a balloon handler
- Lisa Collins-5 years at LES, AS (Autistic Support) program with Pymer and Donatelli, previously a teacher, Fun Fact: She has 16 grandchildren
- Paula Donatelli-4th year at LES, AS program with Pymer and Collins, Special Fact: She is the mother of 2 autistic children
- Vanessa Donatelli-2 years at LES, works full time in AS, Fun Fact: She works with her mom
- Joan Flack-Taught preschool for 12 years, has worked for 3 years with Mrs. Goodhart, Fun Fact: She has 2 college aged daughters and the way to get them to spend time with you is to plan trips
- Joanie Weber-17 years at LES, 9 years in BASD, works with Kravitz and Lewis PM, Fun Fact: She has an 8-year-old grandson
- Trish McCormick- 4th year at LES, many years in SFASD, kindergarten autistic support, Fun Fact: Both of her children went to LES
- Sally Knab-18 years in the SFASD, has worked at Oaks and LES, her children are SFASD alumni, she's a band mom, Fun Fact: She makes work fun
- Question and Answers: Explain the difference between full time/part-time AS? Response- Whether or not a student is full time or part-time is based on an individual's needs. The instructional assistants talked about the different programs at each elementary school, LES is has the largest Autistic Support program in the district.

Budget Review (February) - Hitesh Uppal

- Income-Basket Raffle (\$14,580.87), Box Tops for Education (\$483.32), Dine Out Nights (\$199.42)
- Expenses-Bank Charge (\$30.00)
- Jessica Tolomeo asked Hitesh about a discrepancy in the Family Fun line item. Hitesh said he would look into this line item. *UPDATE: Hitesh added \$375 for the Portable Planetarium under the Family Fun line item which resulted in an expense of \$941. As of 2/28/19, Hitesh hadn't received any TARS on the income side for this event. Once the expense of \$375 was removed from Family Fun line, a profit of \$210.31 is now displayed. Way to go, Jessica! Hitesh asked Kelly and Chris what line item the expenses and income for the Portable Planetarium should be recorded.*
- Karen Thomson motioned to approve, Seconded by Susan Gilbert

February Minutes – Wendy Pekol

- Karen Thomson motioned to approve, Seconded by Lydia Taylor

Board Elections in March for President, Vice President and Communications Advisor

Chris announced there is one nomination for President and one nomination for Vice President. Kelly White will be our new president and Michelle Gosch will be our new vice president. They are running unopposed. Susan Gilbert volunteered for communications advisor. Chris said he will speak to her after the meeting.

Committee Updates

- Basket Raffle (Chris) Basket Raffle made just under \$15,000, everything went smoothly, a group of eight parent volunteers said they would continue the tradition/event.
- Fundraising (Karen) Reading Phillies' and Popcornopolis. Christie Telep is running the popcorn fundraiser. Popcorn will be delivered before spring break. Mobile Teddy event is still in the works. Are we still doing butterfly release with outdoor classroom? Maybe? We need to check with Kris.
- Designer Bag and Gift Card Bingo (Aimee) – She mentioned that the biggest thing is soliciting the event. We need to have 140 tickets sold by the end of March to hold the event. Aimee explained how the event will be organized. Flyers went home last week. A need for volunteers the night of the event has been requested.
- Staff Appreciation (Kelly and Michelle)- March 29th Taco Bar, all donations will be volunteer funded, Sign-up coming out shortly, Coffee Cart during the PSSA tests
- Bingo Night (Jen Haberacker) –March 29th, water, snacks, little prizes, not a drop off event, guest teachers to call the games
- Planetarium (Kelly)-5 mins in between shows, sound really travels in the bubble, shows last 25 mins

Upcoming Events-

Monday, March 4th through Monday, March 18th – Popcornopolis and Reading Phillies' Fundraisers

Thursday, March 7th – Spring Picture Day

Friday, March 8th-Portable Planetarium (6:15pm-8:15pm)

Friday, March 29th – Staff Appreciation Event (Taco Bar)

Friday, March 29th- Bingo Night

Next Meeting- Wednesday, April 3rd 7-8pm

Call to Adjourn-Jen Haberacker motioned, Seconded by Jessica Tolomeo, Meeting adjourned at 8:04pm.