

Lunenburg PTO April 11, 2016 meeting minutes

In attendance: Andrea Moore, Ami Powers, Karen Chow, Jessica Frank, Sherry Nolan, Meredith Weiss, Lisa Stone, Corinne Jones, Jim LaVeck, Alix Lind, Sarah Call, Allison Melvin

I. Superintendent Calmes was in attendance and addressed the current trend with false bomb threats being emailed or called into many schools statewide. Lunenburg has not received any of these threats and Superintendent reiterated that Lunenburg school district is working closely with the Police and Fire departments regarding bomb threat policy and procedure.

*FY17 for Lunenburg will not be finalized until the state of MA has finalized theirs. Some items came in higher than in the past including health insurance and bussing. If the governor passes his proposed budget and Lunenburg can move forward with their proposed budget it will be recommended that Lunenburg adds the following positions:

- 3rd grade teacher
- LPS technology teacher
- Additional clerk for the joint LMS-LHS office
- Additional custodian

*Transition teams are working diligently to prepare for the upcoming reconfiguration.

- Specialist teachers will be shared between schools. Teachers and administrators are working to make a well balanced schedule.
- Mr. McGrath will be assistant principal to the LMS & LHS
- Mr. Adams will be assistant principal for LPS &THE
- Mrs. Champagne has been appointed principal of THE

*Capital Improvement Plan: The following projects will be brought to school committee to vote on. Some of the monies used will be from unspent money in the building and grounds department winter budget:

- Replacement of THMS current phone and PA system
- New clock in THMS gym
- Replace some ceilings at THMS to make the building more energy efficient. Certain rebates can be used as well.
- Rehab entry way at LPS

*TCP and Brooks House will be *given* to the Board of Selectman this current year. Many programs will be staying throughout the 2016-2017 school year. Over the next year or two a

deeper analysis regarding the direction of these buildings will take place to help guide the town in what direction to go.

*Looking to have modular building at TCP taken away while current LHS is being demolished this summer. It is unsafe and attracts vandalism.

II. Karen Chow makes a motion to approve March minutes, Corinne Jones seconds the motion all present approve.

a) Next year's PTO roles will be voted on at May's meeting.

b) Jess Frank will put together a volunteer spot for the community THE playgrounds build on July 13th & 14th.

III. Finance- Estimated \$41,000 in PTO account. PNO estimated profit it \$7,330!

IV: Membership- Currently 277 members, 4 of those are new this week. \$4,215 dollars received \$758 in donations.

V. School and Community- Jim LaVeck reported that the Boys and Girls Club in March was seeing an average of 61 kids a day! Are you smarter than a 6th grader fundraiser brought in an amazing \$19,500! 20 members went to Fenway Park opening day. Stillman farm fair will be September 10th; they have reached out to BGC to help coordinate some activities for the older children. May 21st will be a town wide yard sale. BGC will coordinate maps that show locations of participating people or people can buy spots out front of the BGC.

VI. School Updates: District wide- April 15- Professional development day- half day for students- April Break- April 18-April 22.

LHS-Hunger task force project ends Friday 4/15. They will also be going to the LPS to talk with the 3rd graders who are putting together the Empty Bowl fundraiser. Spring sports are in full swing. PTO scholarship application is due 4/15.

THMS-Spirit week is currently underway. Student government is putting on an Aloha theme dance on 5/13.

LPS-

- Early Intervention Open House on May 13th, 9:30-10:30 am.

- April 14 - Report Cards sent home.

-April 29- 2016-2017 Student Placement Parent Input Letters must be submitted to Principal Blaisdell by April 29, 2016.

-May 4, 5, 6- 2016-2017 school year Kindergarten Screening – no school for current Kindergarten students.

-May 5- Empty Bowls Dinner at THMS 5 pm-8 pm.

-May 17, 6:30pm - Orientation Night for Parents of 2016-2017 Pre-School students at the Primary School
May 17, 19 - 3rd Grade Math MCAS

VII. Publicity-Sherry will put a thank you note regarding PNO in the Ledger with a picture.

VIII.

a) PNO went well, 108 tickets were purchased. Survey monkey will be sent out for feedback.

b) Thank you notes will go out after April vacation.

c) MFM meeting will take place on May 23rd at 7pm Library. This meeting will be used to define roles and prepare letters to be sent out early June. Sarah Call will secure meeting room.

June meeting has been changed to Monday June 6th

Next meeting May 9th 7pm TCP room #13