

Lunenburg PTO meeting minutes

April 10, 2017

In Attendance: Sarah Call, Maribeth Ford, Meredith Weiss, Sherry Nolan, Karen C. Chow, Ami Powers, Andrea Moore, Jessica Frank, Lisa Stone, Allison Melvin

I. Karen Chow made a motion to approve March's meeting minutes, Ami Powers seconded the motion. All in attendance agreed.

II. PNO Review: Everyone felt PNO went well. The money earned may be lower than in the past, but people seemed to enjoy themselves. Al from Stump Trivia did a terrific job. There were new faces that hadn't attended other PNO in the past and all feedback was positive. Final numbers will be distributed soon.

III. Membership: Ami Powers reported we have two more additions to membership since the March meeting!

IV. School & Community: PTO scholarship deadline was 4/12/17; the scholarship committee will meet once all applications have been submitted. Information from The Strategic Planning committee can be viewed on the district's website. PTO elections for next year will be held during the May 8th meeting. May 6th is Town Meeting.

V. PTO Expo: Karen Chow and Jess Frank attended a PTO Expo. Two fundraising idea's they came away with are 1) A holiday in-school shopping experience. Similarly run to a school store or Scholastic book fair. The company provides inventory and then it is sold during the school day. And idea 2) School supply pre order. Teacher's would preset their supply requests, parents could then order "Teacher X"'s list and the company would ship directly to home the supplies.

VI. Superintendent Update: Superintendent Calmes reported the follow:

- *She was pleased how PNO was a fun community event

- *Teachers were extremely appreciative and excited about the RFF money that was available to them.

- *It seems as though there will be a 6% increase in the following years budget, a major driver in the increase is health insurance costs.

- *LHS is looking to add another ELA/SS teacher

- *There is a chance 7th grade foreign language will not be in the budget for next year.

- *Because programs were created within the district for students with special needs the cost of "out of district" placement has gone down!

- *A school counselor/school psychologist will be hired and placed full time at both LPS and THES next year.

- *Another maintenance position is needed too.

Security Updates:

*LPS-wires will be pulled for security cameras during April vacation. The job will be completed over summer break.

*THES-wiring and installation for security cameras will happen in conjunction with asbestos removal over summer break.

*TCP-staff was hired to check people in and out at the main entrance.

VII. Wellness Advisory: Lisa Lavery (LPS nurse) was a representative for the Wellness Advisory Committee. The following concerns were brought up during the meeting. Lisa will relay this information to the committee and appropriate staff to try and work on some of the issues.

*Inconsistency throughout schools and grades as to what food is allowed for celebrations.

*Brown bag snack program lacks a community feel.

*Is the food brought in during ancestor day (2nd grade) safe in regards to allergies?

NEXT MEETING MAY 8, 2017