

## General Membership Meeting 9/4/2019

Board Members in Attendance: Lori Bignotti, Kris Bautsch, Kelly White, Michelle Gosch, Hitesh Uppal, Susan Gilbert and Wendy Pekol

26 Members in Attendance

Meeting called to order by Kelly White at 7:03pm

Welcome-Kelly welcomed everyone to the September meeting. Parents in attendance were asked to introduce themselves. Kelly reminded those in attendance that our meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month (September through June) with the exception of December.

Guest Speaker- Lori Bignotti, Limerick Elementary School Principal

- She has two daughters and emphasized that family is super important.
- She tries to foster her love of family to LES. WE are a family here at LES!
- Educational Background: political science degree, taught many years in the classroom before earning her principal certification from Cabrini University, assistant principal at Muhlenberg Elementary Center, LES until retirement
- Summer of 2019 (many changes)-We welcome Grace Donovan (grades 1-2 Learning Support), Mrs. Jen Sharkey (instructional assistant full time AS), Mrs. Lauren Rose (Kindergarten AM), and Ms. Patti Konschak (Kindergarten Autistic Support).
- FOCUS: Build relationships (students, teachers, families/community), Growing all students academically and socially (Data/PLC meetings every cycle, Target Time, Differentiation, Executive Functioning Skills-thoughts, actions, emotions and Soft Landing- morning meeting/conflict resolution)
- We saw a slide of some new fun things here at LES. The slide included images of Room Changes, Cafeteria Mural, RAM Quest Room, Walking Path, Buddy Classes and FUNtivities. Ms Bignotti acknowledged the fact that Mrs. Weber painted/decorated many walls at LES over the summer 😊
- She's a perfect fit for LES!!!

Budget Review (June 2019 through September 1, 2019) - Hitesh Uppal

- Income- Amazon Smile (\$28.56)
- Expenses- Assemblies (\$2,400), Ice Cream Social (\$418), T-shirts (\$1,420)
- Hitesh informed the group of the best way to pay using PayPal.
- Christie Telep motioned to approve, seconded by Adria Ferreri

June Minutes – Wendy Pekol

- Christie Telep motioned to approve, seconded by Denise Phillips

HSL Membership Survey-due by 9/6

Kelly mentioned the need to complete the survey to be included in the directory. She mentioned the opt-out option. We will do our best to not send fundraising material home if you opted out and chose not to receive fundraising materials.

## Committee Updates

- Basket Raffle (Jessica Tolomeo)-She is waiting to receive information from the former chairpersons. Michelle has offered to host meetings and basket collections at her family home. Meeting dates will be coming out soon. This event is usually held in February.
- Book Fair (Christie Telep)-This event is held twice a year (November and March). Volunteers must complete their clearances. Christie told the group about the option of payment called eWallet. Adria asked about children bringing home things that they shouldn't have purchased. Christie said as long as the book fair is still open those items could be returned. Denise asked about donating to those students who may not be able to purchase books. Christie said we take care of those students discretely. Christie also explained All for Books. We take the profit from the book fair in Scholastic Dollars to be used by Mrs. Sklenarik for items in the library.
- Color Run (Kelly White) - She talked about combining a ribbon cutting ceremony for the walking path with the beginning of the Color Run. Possibly hold this event on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. There will be more information to follow. The event would cost \$30 per student. Jessica asked about the material/powder that is thrown. Kelly explained that it is safe, non-toxic. Plus, we must provide protective eye wear for younger children. Lori mentioned the idea of coming up with a rain date. Kelly believes it will be held rain or shine. Jessica asked how much profit comes to LES? Kelly said one threshold is 50%, and one threshold is 70%.
- Dine Out Nights (Dena Kozera)-McPrincipal Night is 9/18 @4:30-7:30 at a new location in Limerick. Steph Huggard has agreed to chair this committee. Dena asked Kelly to send her Steph Huggard's information.
- Family Fun-Amanda Dabbeek has offered to step up and chair this committee.
- Fundraising (Kelly White) - We do one in the fall and one in the spring. Last fall we did a Hershey fundraiser. We are looking for someone to step up and chair this committee.
- Holiday Shoppe (Dena Kozera) - She will be co-chairing this committee Amy Sutton-Polo. It is held the first week in December. Volunteers are needed to help make this event a success. It is a really fun event for the kids.
- Hospitality/Staff Appreciation (Kelly White) - Michelle and Kelly will co-chair this committee this year. Be on the look-out for SignUps.
- Outdoor Classroom/Beautification (Kelly White) - We could really use a chair for this committee.
- Refunding/BoxTops-Nicole Connolly will be chairing this committee this year.
- School Store-Chris Andes will be chairing this committee this year. Schedule will be coming. It is held during the recess breaks.
- Spirit Wear-Christie Telep will be chairing this committee.
- Water Ice Social (Dena Kozera)-This event will be held tomorrow 9/5 (6:00-8:00) on the playground.
- Yearbook-Talia will be chairing this committee. Fourth grade is holding a cover contest again.

## Membership Questions/Suggestions

### Upcoming Events

Thursday, September 5<sup>th</sup>-Water Ice Social (6:00pm-8:00pm), Rain Date (9/6)

Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>-McPrincipal Night (4:30pm-7:30pm) \*New Location\*

Call to Adjourn-Christie Telep motioned, Seconded by Roopali Uppal, Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm.