

PENNWOOD PTO MEETING MINUTES
February 14, 2019 – 9:30 am – Student Dining Room

- I. WELCOME – BETH MCNAMARA
 - A. Sign in
 - B. PTO registration – form or online
 - C. Introductions

- II. STUDENT REPORTS
 - A. Student Council – Parker Murray (Student Rep)
 - The student council will be getting character education training through BCIU on February 21st and 26th. The school will be getting a lesson at the end of March.
 - Student council is selling candygrams today.
 - Student council held a spirit bowl in January.
 - B. NJHS (National Junior Honor Society) – Stephanie Adamousky (Student Rep), Mrs. Gallelli (Teacher Rep) – not in attendance

- III. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS
 - A. PTO Teacher Reps – Mrs. Pursell (Reading Specialist)
 - Mrs. Kirsch presented information about a fundraiser that 6th grade is doing for the Ronald McDonald House. The fundraiser will promote reading while also helping Ronald McDonald House. In January, 6th graders attended a presentation learning more about the Ronald McDonald House and what it has meant to PW families. 6th graders are asked to read and can be sponsored for their reading to raise money. PW will receive 10% of the money raised. 7th and 8th graders can also participate. All money is due at the end of February. Please contact Mrs. Kirsch with questions.
 - Mrs. Taylor said that the teachers would like to thank the PTO for reaching out and asking for teacher wish lists.
 - Mrs. Taylor also said that the PTO purchased microwave is having issues. PTO will work on getting it replaced.
 - B. Principal's Report – Mr. Majikas – not in attendance
 - C. Asst. Principal's Report – Mr. DePaola
 - The school district will be rolling out the Safe2Say program starting February 20th. This is a state program that allows students to report

issues (drugs, bullying, etc.). These tips will then be forwarded to school districts.

- The Mini Mini Thon was 2 weeks ago and raised lots of money. PW had 65 students participate this year.
- There will be a homework link on the PW website. It will take you to another page with each of the grades/teachers listed. A communication about the new homework page will be sent out soon.
- There will be an email sent out about drop off/pick up procedures. Parents need to drop off at the loop on the side (Roeloffs Rd), not the front as it is safer. If a student is dropped off on the other side of Roeloff's, students need to use the crosswalk to get to the school.
- Best Buddies had a party yesterday. 10 students from PW participated. PW will be hosting a Bingo event on March 13th from 3 to 5 for Best Buddies.
- Flying Falcons 2000 had their 3rd group of winners. 11 students plus a friend got a pizza party with Mr. DePaola.

IV. OFFICERS REPORTS

A. VP/Fundraising – Carolyn Fogel

- Jen and Deanna are organizing Paint Night on 3/1. The deadline to sign up is February 18th. There is a sign up genius for volunteers.
- Bingo night is coming up on 4/5.
- There was a PAC meeting at the end of January.
 - i. The school board received 1800 responses to their recent survey. They were lacking in student responses. A community meeting will be held February 27th at William Penn to go over a summary of the responses.
 - ii. A draft of next year's calendar is on PSD website. It will be voted on at the next board meeting (on February 21st). School will start on August 28th next school year with the last day being June 12th.

B. VP/Communications – Elaine Koziak – nothing to report

C. Recording Secretary – Kathy Snyder – nothing to report

D. Treasurer – Corri Workman – nothing to report

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS – EVENTS AND FUNDRAISERS

A. Paint Night (3/1) – Deanna Nesteruk, Jennifer Couchoud – not in attendance

B. Sunshine Committee – Jenna Churchray, Joanna Steer

- Jenna Churchray reported that the committee will be doing shamrocks. The committee will be putting up a bulletin board near the boy's gym.

C. Family BINGO Night – 4/5 – Shaina Farrell – not in attendance

- D. BOGO Spring Book Fair (5/28-5/31) – Colleen Veitz, Devina Golden – not in attendance
- E. 8th Grade Happening – Micki Brennan, Beth McNamara, Marie Carlson, Kathleen Conti
 - The theme of the 8th Grade Happening is Music Around the World.
 - DJ is booked for the event.
 - The committee will be looking for volunteers to help.

ONGOING

- A. Box Tops – Carolyn Fogel, Shana Hastings
 - There is a box tops contest that is running through the end of February. The homeroom with the highest number of box tops, the student with the highest number of box tops, and the teacher of the homeroom with the highest number of box tops will receive prizes.
- B. McCaffrey's & ShopRite Receipts – Carolyn Fogel, Shana Hastings
- C. Special Events/Dinner Night – Nicole Augustine, Amy Haas – not in attendance

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Now accepting nomination for open Executive Board positions for next year. Available positions are President and Treasurer. Nominations are due by 3/15 and elections will be held at the May PTO meeting. All positions are a 2 year term and new officers will begin their term in September 2019. Please contact any current board member to submit a nomination or with any questions regarding a position.
- B. Faculty Wish Lists
- C. No school 2/18
- D. PW Musical 3/8 and 3/9
- E. Open Chair Positions – Spring Fundraiser (2)
- F. Next School Board Meeting 2/21 at 7:30 pm at Fallsington Elementary
- G. Question, comments, etc.

- VII. Upcoming PTO meetings – Mar 14, Apr 11, May 9. All meetings are at 9:30 am in the Student Dining Room.

VIII. COMMUNICATIONS

- 1. <http://www.pennwoodpto.com> is a direct link to the Pennwood PTO website.
- 2. For “daily announcements” go to www.pennsburyisd.org, click on Schools, then Pennwood, the Parent Information, then daily announcements on left.
- 3. PTO email blasts, with PTO membership

4. Like Pennwood on Facebook!
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1997500920491941/>
5. Email the PTO at ptopennwood@gmail.com

IX. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 am.