

Pennwood PTO Meeting

March 9, 2017 - 9:30AM - Student Dining Room

Meeting was called to order by Beth McNamara at 9:30AM

STUDENT REPORTS

Student Council (Advisor Mrs. Becknell):•

- The next social is March 10th. The theme is St. Patrick's Day.
- Considering a mixer for the 8th grade students from the 3 middle schools to meet each other and say farewell to the students changing schools for high school.

NJHS (National Junior Honor's Society) rep. Charlotte Giacobetti (Advisor Ms. Gallelli)

- The March service project is Pennies for Patients – NJHS will be collecting change for the Leukemia Society. The homeroom with the most donations will have a pizza party.
- Chik-Fil-A breakfast sandwiches will be available at the ramp for \$3 on Fridays through the end of the year.
- The NJHS students are providing tutoring sessions.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

PTO REP. Mrs. Payne (Gifted Support).

- "Dig Deep" Arizona Indian reservation fundraiser, smoothies from Smoothie King will be sold for \$3 each (Pennwood receives \$1) in March, April and May. More information to follow.

Principal's Report – Mrs. Aldridge

- No report.

Assistant Principal's Report - Mr. Majikas

- Construction continues. Gym B (formerly the Boys Gym) should be open on 3/17. Construction will then move to Gym A and then the auditorium when the play concludes. Seven 6th grade second floor classrooms will be the first to move for renovation at the end of the school year. The main office will be relocated this summer. The PW administration will be located at William Penn over the summer during the construction.

- The tar smell and dripping in certain classrooms will be investigated as requested by a parent at the meeting.
- Testing will begin in April – ELA/PSSA 4/3, 4/5-4/7; Math PSSA 4/24-4/28 (specific days not scheduled yet); Science PSSA for 8th graders will be held week of 5/1.
- 5th grade visits to PW will be 5/5 Walt Disney; 5/10 Eleanor Roosevelt; 5/12 Quarry Hill; 5/22 5th parent night at PW; 5th grade mixer at Core Creek Park will be held 5/23
- Chromebooks presentation (held at PHS West on 3/7) – the presentation is available on the PSD website. It will be a lease to own program (\$40/year for 3 years) for 6-10 graders. PSD will pay the remaining \$80 for each device.

OFFICER REPORTS

VP/Fundraising - Sue Deutsch

- Chik-Fil-A night will be 4/13 from 5-8pm at the Oxford Valley location.
- Events will be planned following the spring concerts in May.
- Margarita's will be 5/4 - lunch and dinner
- Yardley Ice House will be planned for June

VP/Communications - Shana Hastings

- No report

Recording Secretary - Sharon Bove (not present)

- No report

Treasurer - Lisa Zawacki

- Paint night raised \$203.74 (it was suggested to charge \$20/person in the future)
- Vince's Pizza raised \$167.26
- Baskin Robbins night raised \$79.89

ONGOING

Box Tops - Jennifer Burgfechtel (not present)

- 2nd Annual duct tape challenge – homeroom winner picks from a list of teachers. Boxtops collected through 3/31. Asking for donations of sandwich bags, duct tape, white labels

Spring Fundraiser

- Orders collected through 3/17, \$50 Amazon gift card to top seller, Amazon Fire Tablet to winner of raffle (one entry per order)

8th Grade Happening (6/9)

- First committee meeting held 2/15, theme is “American Cities”, still looking for a decorations chair, next meeting time TBD

NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Stay tuned for more information on Chair Appreciation Night! Planning for a date in April at Makefield Highlands. We would like to honor you for helping out this year.
- Upcoming Officer Elections – nominations to be accepted until 3/31 for Treasurer, VP/Communications, and PAC Representative. Please contact any current officer to submit a nomination. Each position is a 2-year term, elections in May, officer transition in September.
- Pennwood Musical “Bye, Bye, Birdie” to be held on 3/31 at 7pm and 4/1 at 2pm and 7pm. There will be ticket sales during school lunch and also to the public on 3/23 and 3/28 from 5:30-7pm in the auditorium lobby. Tickets are all \$10.
- Upcoming PTO meetings 4/6 and 5/11 **Please note the June meeting has been cancelled.**

COMMUNICATIONS

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Meeting Adjourned at 10:50