PENNWOOD PTO MEETING AGENDA March 15, 2018 – 9:00 am – Student Dining Room

WELCOME – BETH MCNAMARA

• This meeting was rescheduled due to the snow day last week. Our apologies for the late notice. Thank you for all that were able to come. The meeting began at 9:10 AM.

STUDENT REPORTS

Student Council (Advisors) – Student Rep (Emma Santoro) - Not in attendance NJHS (National Junior Honor Society) – Mrs. Mellor (Teacher Rep) - Diego Asencio

• The NJHS is now focusing on the upcoming induction ceremony. It will be held Wednesday, May 2nd. More details to come.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

PTO Teacher Reps – Mrs. Pursell (Reading Specialist) & Mrs. Payne (Gifted Support) - Not in attendance.

Principal's Report – Mr. Majikas

- Due to the grading day on the 10th, ELA PSSA testing will be April 11th, 12th and 13th. Still waiting to finalize the date for Math, but likely April 17th and 18th. Science PSSAs for 8th grade will be April 24th and 25th. These dates will be communicated when finalized. The state has issued a new rule about students opting out of testing for religious reasons. After 5% of the student population opts out, those students above 5% are counted as non-proficient. Teacher performance and school ratings are tied to the overall score of the school. The number of questions have been cut down by 20% and testing will only occur in the morning from 8:30 to 10:30. Students needing extra time will relocate and be given ample time to finish.
- April 13th is the next social. Mr. Majikas or Mr. Rebh will be there as well as 10 or 12 teachers to chapperrone.
- Unity Team and Student Council are putting shamrocks with positive messages on everyone's lockers for Saint Patrick's Day.
- The next phase of the renovation project will begin the first week in May and continue to the end of the school year. Over the summer they will complete the library, cafeteria, and 7th grade hallway.
- Now that we have a softball coach and assistant coach, all sports teams have coaching staff and organizing teams has begun.
- Congratulations to all students who participated in this year's play, Oklahoma. Mr. Davis
 was so very appreciative to all the parent support. As an audience member it felt like a
 major production. Great job all!

Asst. Principal's Report – Mr. Rebh - Not in attendance.

OFFICERS REPORTS

VP/Fundraising – Sue Deutsch

- Vince's Fundraiser brought in \$123
- We will sell concessions after the concerts in May.
- Waiting to talk to Yardley Ice House to schedule our next spirit date.

VP/Communications - Shana Hastings

• The website has been updated. The open chair positions have been posted. There are many openings, so please consider helping out. Reach out to anyone on the eboard if you have any questions about what each position entails.

Recording Secretary – Sharon Bove - No report

Treasurer – Corri Workman

• The board has purchased Quickbooks and Corri is working to get that organized for future treasures.

PAC Representative – Tabitha Peters - No report

COMMITTEE REPORTS – EVENTS AND FUNDRAISERS

- Chik-Fil-A Spirit Night 5/2 and 5/3 from 4-8 pm. Chik-Fil-A runs their spirit nights for 2 days and this is also the date of NJHS induction ceremony.
- Sunshine Committee Lynda Caldwell has resigned. Carol Mink is still willing to be a part of the committee, and Jenna Churchray volunteered to help as well.
- Mixed Bag Designs Fundraiser Denise Wilson. Mixed Bag has begun and packets should have come home. If you have not received a packet please inquire and we will get one to you. Online sales are an option, although unless you spend \$75 or more you pay for shipping. If you order with a check to PW PTO and send in the paper order form, shipping is free and our school gets a higher percentage of the profits. The fundraiser runs until 3/21 and delivery will be in time for Mother's Day.
- Gift Card Bingo. We are planning a fun and inexpensive night on Friday, May 11th. The elementary schools will be sent information to encourage incoming 6th graders to get a chance to spend time with their future middle school principal as well as become more familiar with the building. It is a family night. Students need to have adult supervision (not a drop-off event. Adults do not have to play Bingo unless they want to). Bingo Cards are \$5 each to play. Gift Cards will be to places where students like to shop.
- Chair Appreciation Night is scheduled for May 3rd. Jennifer Burgfechtel has graciously offered to host. If you have stepped up this year to chair or co-chair a committee for next year you will be invited as well! We appreciate your time and dedication to students.
- 8th Grade Happening Lisa Gayle and Lisa Zawacki are hosting decorating nights every Monday and Wednesday from 7PM to 9PM. There is a sign-up genius you can sign (http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0544aaab23a0f94-2018) which will let them know if you are coming. Anyone is welcome to participate! Even if you do not have an 8th grader we would love your help. You also do not need to be an artist. If you come we will find a job for you!

April 6th there will be an Eagles Pep Rally during school for students where Mrs.
 Oberthon will receive her award. Cheerleaders will be there and one mystery Eagles football player!

ONGOING

Box Tops – Jennifer Burgfechtel - Not in attendance McCaffrey's & ShopRite Receipts – Suzanne Watson - Not in attendance Special Events/Dinner Nights – Sue Deutsch/Corri Workman (covered above).

NEW BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Open Chair Positions

- Spirit Wear (2)
- Spring Fundraiser (2)
- Spring Book Fair (2)

Eboard Position Nominations due 4/30. Elections will take place at the May 10th PTO meeting. Accepting Nominations For:

- President, VP Communications, VP Fundraising, Recording Secretary
- All positions are a 2 year term. Term begins September 2018

No School 2/28-4/2

Questions, comments, etc.

Upcoming PTO meetings – Apr 19, May 10. All meetings are at 9:30 am in the Student Dining Room.

COMMUNICATIONS

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Adjournment 10:00 AM