

PTS Meeting September 12, 2017

(Planning team meeting)

Bylaws

Last updated in 2012. Susan will send out an electronic copy to that the committee can make recommendations on changes at the next meeting.

Playground Update

We still need to mulch under the new area, waiting on delivery by the district. May need to look into purchasing additional mulch, we will need a quote from the district before we can pursue.

Grade Level Representative

We are not going to pursue additional parents. Laurie and Sue will report to us on teacher issues. Teachers are expected to come to meetings to request funds as additional items come up and specifically go through Mrs. Dell so there are not surprise requests.

Oct. PTS Meeting

Jeanie Smith will address the full board regarding the Hempfield Area Library. The board would like to identify someone to speak to Internet Safety. A request will be made in the newsletter and board members are asked to ask around.

Fall Fundraiser

Emily requested permission to build a tunnel that would be used in all future walks which was approved and she indicated she would be distributing little waters and popcorn for the snack.

Retirement

We have one retirement, Gail, and the board agreed to get her a gift card.

Amazon Smile

Parents can sign up for Amazon Smile and select West Point PTS as their charity to receive .5% or purchase. Susan will send out an email regarding this, Box Tops, Chic-Fil-A, Target, etc.

Miscellaneous

Sue K. mentioned possibly doing a school wide donation for a sibling of a student. Mrs. Dell said she would approach the teachers.

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Attendees were invited to enjoy refreshments and sign up for Activities.

Guest Speaker: Rick Drushel, discussed Scholarships through the Hempfield Foundation which provides \$1000 stipends for teachers to spend in classrooms and for students.

Extra Recess was awarded to Mrs. Graham (107) and Mrs. Hamill (124) for having the highest number of parent participants representing their homerooms.

Mrs. Dell reported on: the new format for open house and invited all to attend; the PTS Newsletter/Calendar has received positive reviews and will continue to come home on brightly colored cardstock; walkie talkies have been purchased for every teacher in the school and an Emergency App (MERP) replaces the Emergency Binder.

Mrs. Keegan welcomed the group.

Emily K. reported on the Walk for Education: no junk prizes; business ads and pledges will make up the donations; if we reach our goal as a school all will participate in an extra recess/giant obstacle course day in Oct. Coupon books will be sold separately around the Holidays. She also reported on the Clearances necessary to participate in classroom activities/parties/field trips (Child Abuse, PA State Criminal, FBI Fingerprints, Confidentiality Form) More info will be available in the Newsletter and if you have questions please contact Maria in the office.

Melissa P. reported on Spirit Day T-shirts: all new students and Kindergarten will receive a shirt for free this year. If previous students have outgrown or need a new shirt they will be able to purchase one. A new form will be sent to all students.

LaGina D. reported on the Budget: our largest fundraisers are the Walk for Education and the Sarris Easter Candy Sale; funds help pay for supplies, field trips, assemblies, etc.

Susan J. reported on rewards programs that benefit our school: Shop-N-Save, Giant Eagle, Target, Amazon Smile, Chic-Fil-A, Box Tops. Further information will come out in an email.