

Tenth Street PTO

Meeting Date: October 11, 2016 at 6:30pm

Location: Tenth Street Library

Attendance: about 20 people

Tenth Street PTO Meeting Minutes:

1. Call to order: 6:32pm

2. Officer's Reports

- a. President – Welcome by Lisa DeVita and thank you for coming. Mrs. Schenle and Miss Serrao in attendance.
- b. Treasurer– Jeanine Franciscus Presented Two Treasurer Reports – Motion to approve by Paula Tomlinson – 1st and Emily Aftanas – 2nd.
 - Money coming in from Spiritwear and Student Directory.
 - Refunds are being needed for one Snapology class that had to be canceled due to instructor availability.
 - Stephanie Vespi (past Treasurer) presented a report for the end of last year.
 - Reminder to please mark any money being left in the PTO mailbox so we know what it is for and where it came from. Also, please don't leave money in the mailbox on Fridays.
- c. Vice President – Laurie Sliben – no report. See Committees.
- d. Secretary – Approval of September meeting minutes – motion to approve: Stephanie Vespi – 1st and Paula Tomlinson – 2nd.

3. Committee Reports

- **100th Day Celebration:** Lisa Volpe – no report.
- **After School Enrichment:** Amanda Betler – Refunds being processed for one Snapology class.
- **Birthday Recognition:** Heather Deem – up to \$1 for cafeteria items for kids' birthday.
- **Book Fair:** Peggy Jafaar, Wendy Wilton, Monica Sykes – being held this week. Need Teacher wish lists.
- **Coke Rewards:** Lisa DeVita – ongoing.
- **Dance:** Carrie Longstreth, Peggy Jafaar, Monica Sykes – Dance classes canceled this Wednesday because of Open House.
- **Fall Fundraiser:** Emily Aftanas, Erika Lavarse – Fresh Greens will be available for the Holidays, due October 31, 2016.
- **Garden Committee:** Lois Vitti – no report.
- **General Mills Box Tops:** Debra Polesiak, Katie Lascola – discussing contest winning classroom, maybe a coupon or gift for the holiday store. \$90 added to account. Contest running now until November 1, 2016.
- **Holiday Store:** Lindsay Loughren, Erica Dudash, Adrienne Hoolahan – will be held Dec 8-10, 2016.
- **Kindergarten/New Student Orientation:** Amanda Allis, Kristy Thon – no report.
- **Nominating Committee:** Krista Quinlan – all positions full.

- **School Pictures:** Heather Deem, Kristin Lio, Gina Baldwin – Retakes Monday, October 24, 2016.
- **Spring Fundraiser:** Rachele Bertucci, Erica Hower – Art to Remember.
- **Student Directory:** Brigette Huffman – On sale now and at Open House. Sold 49 so far. Illustration winners got a free copy. \$3 each. Will also be available in the office.
- **Teacher and Staff Appreciation:** Carrie DelRosso, Kristen Hemingray – catered luncheon on Monday from Pub 333. Only asking for donations of money, drinks, and K-cups.
- **Teacher Holiday Gifts:** Kristen Hemingray – updating teacher favorites binder in office and forms will go out in November.
- **Tenth Street Clothing:** Paula Tomlinson and Emily Aftanas – Order forms are out and display will be out at Open House. Riverview Raiders (free) shirts pre-empted the Spiritwear a bit, but that was a good thing! An amazing job by Carrie DelRosso getting local businesses to donate to get them all made and quickly for all of the kids – Verner as well as Tenth St! Thought about doing magnets as a cash-and-carry item in the future for \$7 each.
- **Yearbook:** Emily Aftanas, Paula Tomlinson, Jessica (last name?) – Need pictures, flash drive is available. Need an online code to upload pictures or email them directly. Idea to possibly get the 6th graders to take pictures around school?
- **6th Grade Graduation:** Kristin Lio, Carrie Longstreth – using a different yearbook company/software. Doing group photo and individual headshots soon.
- **Special Persons Breakfast:** Stephanie Vespi, Meg Saunders – will be done in the spring.

4. **Principal's Report** Mr. Z discussed the following items:

- Open House tomorrow 6-7:30pm
- Skateboard Science assembly was today in the gym, ran very long, but was great!
- Tomorrow is the Fire Prevention assembly.
- Principal's Coffee October 27, 2016 at 9am in the Library.
- Halloween Parade and parties will be at 1:45pm. Per the Wellness Initiative there will be only one sweet treat and other snacks and drinks are fine – fruit, vegetable, water, milk, 100% juice, pretzels, etc. No treat bags or extra sweets will be accepted. Remember you can donate unwanted candy to Military Connections! More Wellness Committee meetings will be held later, please feel free to attend.
- Parent-Teacher Conferences coming up on Election Day – no school that day. There will be no discussion of the election at school at all.
- November 11 is Veterans Day and we will be honoring veterans in various ways. Kids will be invited to wear red, white, and blue. Parents can send in names, pictures of veterans to be honored.

People do not need to be present that day, but may attend if they would like.

- This year instead of doing the KDKA Turkey Fund, we'll be donating money to those affected by the recent Hurricane. A similar collection will be made that week.
- Talent Show will be November 18. Main difference this year is kids will need to perform their act before it goes on – not an audition, just need to approve it for appropriateness.
- February 16 will be Literacy Night and will have an author come during the day – still looking for that individual. But have found a storyteller names Dr. Dupont from Slippery Rock who will come for the evening for a cost of \$400. This item was VOTED on and ALL WERE IN FAVOR.
- Riverview Raiders staff t-shirts to be made by Embroidery from the Heart similar to the kid's ones we did. Not to exceed \$10/each, a total of about \$300. This item was VOTED on and ALL WERE IN FAVOR.
- Karen Linn Science of Sound assembly will cost \$500 and will run in the spring.
- Please NOTE our November PTO meeting is during the day – we will try this as it was brought up as a time others could attend.
- Dr. C's absence as the Director of Student Achievement, resigned – position is being revamped to include Special Education as well.
- Wellness Committee will also be involving the cafeteria staff and food offerings overall.
- YMCA After School Care Services Survey results – 65 surveys came back, about 10 people showed interest, will see what comes of it, but overall it is thought that the survey's timing was not good and if it had been more general (and possibly electronic) it might have had a better return.
- Tree work on 9th Street is complete.
- Play it Forward (toy collection) will not be done this year. May still collect any indoor recess items.
- Pajama Drive will take place in November – Wendy Wilton
- Emily Aftanas, Debra Polesiak offered some other ideas for authors for Literacy Day – possibly look into the North Hills School District and/or Carnegie Lecture Series for available authors near the area.
- Riverview Education Foundation (REF) – Carrie DelRosso – has had some successful events and now will be able to award some grants for teachers.

5. New Business

Motion to Adjourn Meeting – Paula Tomlinson

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 1:30pm in Tenth Street Library