

October 6 meeting called to order at 7:06pm

Attendees: Shaynie Boles, Kathy Petraglia, Amy Rickicki, Danielle Landy, Amanda Mathison, Karen Rosella, Alice Rumberger, Laurel Schreiber, John Harrison

The September minutes were approved:

Motion made by Kathy Petraglia

Seconded by Amy Rickicki

Treasurer's Report

Highlights:

\$205.70 cost for Scholastic News for Kindergarten-- used KG curriculum extension budget

\$210.83 profit from food trucks at Get Acquainted night

\$1037 revenue from Chess classes

\$1190 cost- Assembly

Teacher Liaison report

Scholastic Book fair- week of October 19-23<sup>rd</sup>. There will be a family night on October 22 from 6-8pm. A special reader will be in attendance and the Pittsburgh Children's Theatre will donate a family 4 pack of tickets for "Room on a Broom."

Liza Purdy has proposed creating a Butterfly garden at a cost of approx. \$50-\$75. There are funds available in the budget and Liza has approval.

Amy Caloiero has found grant resources that may be available for the renovation of the playground. This information will be forwarded to Alice Rumberger.

Paul Pokorny has suggested that as part of the PFA playground renovation project, the wood chip bedding be replaced with rubber mulch or rubber matting. There is a significant cost to this. Paul will take measurements and forward to Karen Rosella.

The question was raised: is there a possibility for the PFA to purchase a dry erase board for a second grade classroom? Cost, size is unknown.

Principal's Report

Chinese Acrobats scheduled for October 12 at a cost of \$595 as a kick off for Diversity Month

Reading is Magic Assembly booked for March.

November is Diversity Awareness Month

Activities include visits from the Japan American Society revolving around Japanese culture, customs, traditions and the TriRiver Council Native American Group will perform dancing, and songs.

November 19<sup>th</sup> at Ingomar Elementary, there will be an evening event as outreach to community to show what resources we have available to the community as well as student focused resources in the district. There will be presentations, performances, food trucks

#### Technology update:

iPad carts are in (30 iPads) iPads will be signed out for use as a class, or for small groups. Acceptable use for each grade level is taught. At the in-service on 10/9, there will be additional training opportunities available for building educators. The iPads are being put to use and are being used widely.

Interactive projectors and white boards for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade have arrived but have not been installed. This will occur after the iPads are being rolled out at the middle school. They were to be installed while 5<sup>th</sup> graders were at Camp Kon-O-Kwee.

#### Upcoming dates:

Oct. 9- In-service day- no school

Oct. 14-15-16- 5<sup>th</sup> grade to Camp Kon-O-Kwee-

Oct. 20- Title I parent night will be held at PES

Oct. 22- Family Night at Bookfair

Oct. 26- No school

#### District Meetings

EAC- Laurel Schreiber- first meeting on 10.16.15

SPLC- Karen Rosella

Two meetings:

September Meeting: Members brain stormed topics ranging from school lunches, to playgrounds, to 4<sup>th</sup> grade testing schedules. Future agenda topics will be generated from these ideas.

October Meeting: The NASD budget was presented; clear majority in salaries and benefits; asked for community input on increasing revenues and decreasing costs. There is a link which allows community members to make suggestions:

[www.northallegheny.org/budget\\_ideas](http://www.northallegheny.org/budget_ideas)

### Fundraising

Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup> 25% profit Monte Cellos-Thursdays, November 12- 4-7pm Panera Bread  
20% must bring flyer

Future opportunities are Chick Filet -20%, California Pizza Kitchen 20%, Whole Foods 5% for the day

### Presidents' Report

Playground:

\$32,543 phase 1

\$31,294 phase 2

Hosack Cares raises money- midyear they will do a Cares and Shares, teacher time offered via a raffling –50% profit will go to the playground. There may be opportunities for a Hosack Movie night at Cinemark.

Intramurals:

Mr. Kremmel will be running two sessions this year (grades 3-5). The activities are TBA.

The PFA plans to also offer intramurals for K-3 (possibly Basketball). Dates will be announced.

Spanish:

PFA plans to offer Spanish, but it will be a yearlong program. It will be taught by a certified elementary Spanish teacher. We are awaiting dates.

Spirit Wear Sale:

Spirit wear sale is online. Teachers can get a free item if 30% of their respective classes participate. The company will send Eileen order lists Oct. 9 & 16 so we can track progress on who ordered from each homeroom

Yearbook:

Committee will start meeting in October (not yet scheduled, targeting end of the month).

Anyone interested in participating in the committee, please reach out to Lisa Gross.

(Lbajus@hotmail.com)

We will have a Hosack yearbook Gmail account established and will use that to collect photos

from the holiday parties instead of having the volunteers upload to the Lifetouch site, which has been cumbersome in the past.

School Directory:

A Google doc will be set up to collect contact information. The possibility of using the process used by Carson Middle School was discussed; parents can simply approve the information instead of filling out information. There is concern that participation will be lower by relying on an electronic process.

Adjourned 9:03