



Abraham Lincoln School PTO

"LINCOLN PRIDE"

Agenda: October 8, 2015

Welcome & Flag Salute 2:07 - 2:49

Secretary's Report - Jenn Duca

- Approval of minutes - minutes approved
- Correspondence

President's Report - Colleen Wilson

- October 21st, Coordinating Council Meeting at Sicomac Elementary School
- 9:30 am - everyone is invited. Coordinating Council is the head of all the five school PTOs and they have their own executive board. Get to know what other schools are doing; hear from Mr. Kuder and both HS Principals.
- WEF RUN/WALK October 17th - Please sign up - eblast went out last night. We are in first place. Sign up by Friday to guarantee a tshirt. Dunk tank featuring Mr. Lee. \$500 to school that wins participation percentage. Sign up even if you can't make it. Rec Sports cancelled that day.
- Friendship and Caring - Committee lets members of Lincoln family know we are caring for them if they have a difficult situation.
- PTO Closet - Downstairs - We no longer have the room for Masterpiece art - that went to electrical upgrade. Still have two rooms. If you need supplies, check there before buying. Please try to keep organized.
- Ramapo Holiday Festival - Bin will be in each school lobby to collect items.
- Theme Day - In grave jeopardy. Needs chairs.
- Go Green got \$1000 grant and will be presented to them next week. Thank you to all that helped fill out the application.

First Vice President's Report - Tracy Dohrmann

- 2015-2016 Membership - Directories will be printed in next couple of weeks. However you input the info is how it will appear in directory. Please check your profile.
- Fall Festival - October 16th - Free - immediately after school. Dunk tank, bounce house, apple cider and donuts and more.
- Pumpkin sale - October 16th - during the school day. Email will go out for help to sell them during the day.
- 5th Grade Activities - Volunteer form will be sent home on Friday and will be on electronic Friday folder.
- Walk and Bike to School Day - Tomorrow! Two refueling stations and raffle - one ticket per child.
- Hospitality - Tricia Galasoo - need volunteers for teacher treats and PTO meetings.

Second Vice Presidents' Report - Michele Carbone & Janet Mullin

- Kid's Art - Jeanine Mosco - Forms going home on 10/16 - Delivery right before thanksgiving. Each order form personalized with your child's artwork will go home next Friday.
- Book Fair - October 22nd and 23rd - need volunteers contact Brandy Ervin or Evelyn Amerio. Added a day for teachers to do a wish list. Students go

next two days. Need volunteers for set up, cashiers, and clean up. Class list coming out next week.

- Kids Stuff Books - Due October 16th
- Spirit Wear - online store open until October 19th. Samples outside the main office. No other time to order during the year.
- Box Tops deadline - October 30th
- Stop n Shop - People looked at receipt for A+ rewards and it's not showing up. Dina looking into it with Stop and Shop.

Treasurer's Report - Amy Rolla

- 2015-2016 Proposed Budget - Approved

Co-Coordinator's Report - Carrie Carpenter & Jamie Russo

- Economy Shop - in full swing. Need volunteers. Each school should take 242 shifts and we only have 74 filled. Can sign up online for volunteer spots. Jane Baczynski is doing all the marketing - set up on yelp, google, facebook. Trying to get us as "the economy shop" choice of the area. Please promote on social media. In past, they doled out money based on number of volunteers and we don't want that to happen again. Please sign up to volunteer because we got about \$7,000 last year.
- Volunteers

Principal's Report - Mr. Lee - Will be in dunk tank at fall festival and WEF. Thank you to those that attended back to school nights. Grades 3-5 was last week. Very well attended and positive responses. Week of respect is going well. Thank you to Rotary for 3rd grade dictionaries. Thank you to Mr. Carbone and those that are helping to organize walk and bike to school day tomorrow, it expands on our world of wellness theme. Let's try and get the word out about WEF and try to get the \$500 for most participation. Conferences will be scheduled online this year - sign up link sent out by teachers tomorrow. Teachers are working from 1:00 - 8:00 pm when school is out. 1:30 - 3:30 pm when there are minimum days. If there is a problem and you don't get it you can reach out to your teacher or main office. You can also request conference with specialist. 3rd Grade takes OLSAT test - district wide - last week in October. It is a one-hour test on computer. School goals: Attended conference on "responsive classroom." Will send some things out to parents. It's an approach to addressing social, emotional, and academic well being of students. Implemented in classroom. Developmentally appropriate and have seen great results over the last 20 years. Solicited staff for volunteers to learn about it outside of school day and have had a great response from staff. Working with Mr. Pantanella to get funding for a maker space tech lab. 3D printers possible. Wants to help give kids time to play and explore and innovate and be creative. 5th graders started reading the words of wisdom on Tuesday-Thursday. Mr. Lee reads on Monday and another staff member on Friday. Messages are short, applicable to students, and easily understood. Will continue throughout the year. Looking forward to events coming up in the fall.

Third Vice President's Report - Mrs. Russell - online.

District Committee Reports

New Business - Dee Bouloukus - Go Green - making bird feeders out of plastic containers and using paper to make snowflakes in the winter.

Friendly reminder of parking lot safety: Pay attention to the one-way direction all the way around to the front of school. Please pull up as much as possible in the morning for drop off. Suggestion to put a sign up at the front that says line forms here to show people how far up to go. Please remember that dogs are not allowed on school property.

Lion Mascot Classroom Winner - 2P

Next Meeting-Thursday, November 12th at 9am

Thank you!