



Abraham Lincoln School PTO

"LINCOLN PRIDE"

Minutes: January 12, 2017

Welcome & Flag Salute 2:06-3:05

Secretary's Report - Jenn Duca

- Approval of minutes - approved
- Correspondence

President's Report - Colleen Wilson

- Grace White, District Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction - 35 years in district - teacher at Lincoln and Eisenhower - gwhite@wyckoffps.org and available to parents anytime - Wyckoff Connected Parents is a program to help get parents involved and show what happens in the schools.
- Nominating Committee - announced in January - committee meets once per week March/April - if you are on the committee, you can't be nominated for a position on the board. If you want to be on the committee contact Joanne Certo. Committee announced at February meeting.
- Coordinating Council - January 26th - 9:30 @ Lincoln
- Theme Day - date changing to Thursday, 5/25 - Kindergarteners are invited to stay all day - class parents please send out date change to your classes
- Dad's Night -80" tv with sound bar for MPR - can attach wireless computers, have mic - hope to have done for science fair. \$9,846 comes from Dad's Night money - goal was to keep under \$10k - will vote on it at February meeting - need 25 people to vote
- Dinner Dance on 2/11 at GLO in Waldwick, ticket sales online on PTOoffice 8om - 12 midnight, \$80 per person

First Vice President's Report - Tracy Dohrmann

- Kids' Nights and Bowling - Permissions Slips -K night went great, 1st grade tomorrow. Please ask 4th and 5th grades to send in permission slips even if you aren't going so they can make the lane arrangements. Grades 2&3 are 7 pm. If your child goes to Y on bus, please let them know about bowling.
- Masterpiece Art - Beth Antino - the other co-chair leaving after this year so looking for someone for next year. Next week 1/19 @ 2:30 MPR informational meeting. Please send at least one class parent to meeting or contact chairs.
- After School Programs - up and running
- Family Bingo Night - February 10th at 6:30 - fun night for the whole family
- 5th Grade Trip - High Exposure and Powerhouse Studios
- Lincoln Library Lovers - Joanne Certo - great way to donate new books to library on 1/24 and 1/25 and have a book in your name
- Family Math Night - March 3rd at 6:30 - need volunteers - it's fun for all ages
- Pi Day - an in-school event and parent volunteers needed - activities are provided - would like a shadow for both Pi Day and Family Math Night events because chair is leaving after this year
- Science Fair - March 8th @ 6:30 - doesn't have to be an over the top project and the kids love it and get a medal

- Extra Directories Available for \$3

Second Vice Presidents' Report - Michele Carbone & Janet Mullin

- Carnation Sale - not having one this year
- Scooter Bowl - February 17th
- Memory Book - Due 1/15 - Character Limit 220 - it won't count the characters for you so be careful - count includes spaces, punctuation, everything
- Dad's Night Valentine Dinner Dance - 2/11 at GLO
- Dad's Night - March 31st
- Dad's Night Contests has begun - Skit and T Shirt submissions due 1/31
- WEF Dinner Dance - March 24th @ Indian Trail Club
- Military Bridge - 1/19 - fabulous prizes including tickets to WEF and Dad's Night Dinner Dance and Ladies Night - set up 1:30, doors open at 5:30, you can sign up as one or two people - don't need a team to come - will accommodate anyone who needs to go to meeting at Eisenhower that night

Treasurer's Report - Amy Rolla

- November Budget Approval - approved

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

- Economy Shop Check Presentation - \$1400 per school for seven schools
- Volunteers - if interested email chairs and try it out
- Board Members - entire board is also turning over so they are looking for new members, co-chairs, treasurer, secretary, marketing, etc.

Principal's Report - Mr. Lee - Welcome back and Happy New Year! Some staffing changes - Mrs. Lacasse (instructional coach) is out on maternity leave until June, had baby boy last night! IC works with teachers and coordinates all four elementary schools. Lincoln now being supported by three other coaches in the district, so some new faces in school for the next few months. Mrs. Donatello is expecting and will be here through Jan 20th. Replacement teacher letter went out to parents. Mrs. Ruiz is replacing Mrs. Vernieri starting Monday. Mrs. Vernieri is going to Madison school district. Process for school educator hiring is a longer process because requires 60 day leave notice to other district, etc. One of the aides resigned and needed replacement for her and a new aide for special services so two new aides. Playground aide and part time special education aide combined in one position. Mrs. Livesy has student teacher that just started. Mrs. Husstege will be back on 2/1 from her leave. Custodian Eric is covering for Moses' vacation. PARCC test Grades 3-5 from 4/25-5/12 - not every day. Seven units of testing like last year. Typically held in morning and 1- 1.5 hours of testing each day. 4th grade will also have NJ Ask Science. Family Maker Space night 4/20 at night. Sign up on Wyckoff Connected Parents on District website. Theme Day change created a ripple effect in calendar: 5th grade visit to Eisenhower moved to 22nd and Field Day moved on 5/17. Rain date will be 6/2. School-wide morning meeting held tomorrow. Kindergarten had a morning meeting yesterday. Mrs. Weibe and Mr. Patanella did some lessons with 5th Graders on internet usage, cell phones, cyber safety - a lot of 5th graders got cell phones over break - needed to have conversations with some kids - not disciplinary but just to have a conversation about using devices and policy and lasting effects. If you have a 5th grader now is the time to start having a conversation. Luckily our students are overall kind to one another but they are learning and we need to help them to understand long-term effects because they become bigger issues at the middle school. Washington School is having a meeting on 1/17 with someone from the Sex Crimes Unit at Bergen County Prosecutors Office - opened up to everyone. PTO Eblast went out with flyer. New signs out in parking lot regarding parking lot drop off/pick up areas.

Third Vice President's Report - Mrs. Russell - online
New Business
Lion Mascot Classroom Winner - 5P

Next Meeting-Thursday February 2nd at 7:00 pm

Thank you!