



Abraham Lincoln School PTO

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Minutes: May 4, 2017

Welcome & Flag Salute 2:11 – 3:14

Secretary's Report - Jenn Duca

- Approval of Minutes - approved
- Correspondence

President's Report - Colleen Wilson

- Mr. Iasiello - At EMS each child gets own chrome book to take home. Paperwork sent home over the summer including info for insurance for \$20. New devices are more durable but do need additional protection. Customized cases available through PTO or you can buy on own. Hard cases don't work because they are also tablets that flip over. Parent Portal opened last night for class selections - music, language. If you haven't gotten email please call EMS. Next fall is 3R's day - only happens every three years due to cost. Only three schools in tri-state area that does this. Food Truck fundraiser next week (5/12) and Lincoln School Dad's Night Band performing! Annual Relay for Life event is 5/19 and all proceeds to American Cancer Society. Want to start talking to Elementary kids about social media because affecting kids younger and younger. Parents need to be looking at what kids are doing online and schools need your help. It's a whole new type of parenting and you need to be involved. EMS is going to work on ways to help educate parents on this. Many thanks to Joanne Certo for the last two years as PTO President! Scavenger hunt is at end of August. If you aren't here for it you can make an appointment to come in and take tour. There are no specific school supply lists. Everything on Google Classroom and Chrome Books. A notebook and pen is enough for first day. 5th Grade math placement still not done. A big re-evaluation happens for math at the end of the 6th grade. Councilors at each school give recommendations for how to split up the kids in three groups - always the discretions of EMS at the end of the day - and teams assigned at EMS. No need for paper assignment pads because everything can be on Google Classroom. First few days are about learning locker combinations, schedule, etc. Digital letter will be sent home regarding the bus.
- Susan Creech - 3R's Day Chair - Respect, Reflect, Resiliency - every three years so one time while kids are at middle school - 10/23/17 - a lot of volunteers to make this happen but limited adult presence the day of so kids can keep their focus.
- Dr. Pepe - Summer Academies - <http://www.wyckoffps.org/Page/7532>
- Eisenhower Spirit Wear and Gym Uniforms - Only thing required is Gym Uniform
- Nominating Committee - Executive Board Slate Vote - approved!
- Luncheon Treats Update - all vendors staying the same
- Raising Resilient Girls - speaker on 5/16 - attendance is well above 150 - not the same as the one at EMS - not just social media

First Vice President's Report- Tracy Dohrmann

- Class moms will send out an email with all these dates ☺
- Chair Positions for next year - if anyone is interested in a role please reach out - info will also be on volunteer survey that goes out at the end of the summer
- Teacher Appreciation Lunch - May 5th
- Literary Lions-May 9th
- Create-a-Pot on Kindergarten Blacktop - May 12th
- Bicycle Safety for 3rd & 4th Grades - May 15th
- Bike/Walk to School - May 19th
- 4th & 5th grade Spring Instrumental Concert - May 23rd afternoon and evening performances
- Theme Day-May 25th - volunteer sheets will be finalized soon
- 5th grade play - School House Rock - June 1st - afternoon and evening performances
- June PTO Meeting-Thank You Brunch June 8th @ 9am
- Fifth Grade Activities Update - talent show skit ideas due tomorrow - even a rough idea - 5th grade discovery museum night is ok with schedule.

Second Vice President's Report - Michele Carbone and Janet Mullin

- Spring Book Fair-May 12th (set up), 15th (also evening hours) and 16th - volunteer sign up will go out soon
- Ladies Night-Huge Success! Thank you to Jenn Duca, Nancy L'Heureux, Nicole Iasiello, Arta Alimi, and all volunteers!
- If you are interested in chairing any activity please let the PTO Board know :)

Treasurer's Report - Amy Rolla

- Approval of the May Budget - approved
- Please get your receipts in before June 1st for reimbursement.

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

- Thank you Brunch May 17th
- Garage Sale Saturday, May 13th - about 50 homes in FLOW area
- Third Quarter Earning - \$1,000

Principal's Report - Mr. Lee - A lot of activities coming up! Family Makerspace Night was great! STEM club for girls - funded with Title 1 Funds and Lincoln did not qualify due to demographics. Field Day is coming up on 5/17 - Rain Date is June 1st. Raising Resilient Girls not for kids - open to all adults in District. Link to register is on eblasts. PARCC is going very smoothly so far. Grades 4&5 finished yesterday. Grade 3 finishes tomorrow. Last year results came out in August and are presented to BOE before it goes out to parents. Make up schedule will go out soon. Sibling Kindergarten preview this past week. New Kindergarten families will have preview first week in June. Staff Self-Assessment on Responsive Classroom and will be analyzing that for next year. 5th grade classes have been helping with school-wide morning meeting. 4th Grade is working together as a grade on next one. Staff is excited for appreciation lunch tomorrow. Thank you all for assisting with that celebration!

**Third Vice President's Report - Mrs. Russell - online
District Committee Reports - WEF New Business**

Lion Mascot Classroom Winner - 3R

Next Meeting: Thank You Brunch - June 8th @ 9:00 am

Thank You!