

**Lincoln Elementary PTA Meeting
November 18, 2015, 7 p.m.**

I. Call To Order, by Amy Shannon-Spector, 7:08p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes, approved at 7:11p.m.

III. Executive Committee Reports

- **President-** Turkey Fund is taking place in each classroom. Amy reported that she is meeting with Dr. Irvin regarding the school calendar. Science Fair is March 8th and the committee is looking for volunteers, the fair is for 2-5th grade.
- **First Vice President-** no report
- **Second President-** The PTA is looking to put together a resource night to address topical issues around internet safety and social media. If anyone has any ideas for speakers or topics for a workshop, contact Sherry Crystal.
- **Third Vice President-** no report
- **Fourth Vice President-** E-mail will go out to remind parents about the Turkey Fund. Winter concerts will take place on Dec. 16, 10 a.m., 2 p.m. Mr. Kitsko mentioned that if parents still have questions/feedback about the new report cards they should e-mail him., as part of the ongoing refinement process. The purpose of the shift is to show how students are progressing to refining skills. One parent mentioned disappointment in not getting grades in art, gym and other encore classes until half way into the year.
- **Treasurer-** Amy reported for Marybeth. In January, the board will take inventory of where we are with budget and items that have been earmarked and discuss the PTA's Guiding Financial Principles for where to allocate funds.
- **Corresponding Secretary-** no report
- **Recording Secretary-** no report
- **Historian-** no report

IV. Teacher Representatives- Ms. Lewis thanked the PTA for recent field trips and reminded parents about dressing kids appropriately for weather, morning recess takes place at 10:30 a.m.

V. Lincoln Committee Reports

- **Lunch clubs-** A note will be going out in regards to clubs, if anyone has any ideas for a club, they should contact Karen Krieger.
- **Spirit Wear-** Fundraising goal for this campaign will be met. All merchandise should be back by December 4th to distribute. Orders will need to be distributed outside of the classroom because due to holiday gift giving. Sherry is looking for volunteers to hand out the merchandise.
- **Talent Show-** Talent show will take place March 18 instead of later in the year. A notice will be going out before Christmas.
- **Fifth grade farewell-** Committee is planning various fundraisers, Brueggers day, Chipotle night.

VII. Old Business

VIII. New Business

- **Frosty Budget amendment-** G.G. asked for \$300 additional budget amount and permission to sell one item (scarves) for over \$5. Jen Curran suggested to increase amount to \$325 to cover extra cost of scarves. Motion approved.

- **Art Expressions-** Art Expressions has been a program funded at the Mt. Lebanon School District level, Lincoln has had traditionally had two 6-weeks sessions with one of the sessions funded by the PTA. The PTA funding runs \$2,000. The School District made the decision not to fund the program anymore. The PTA budget still has \$2,000 to hold the program. The PTA would have to sign the legal contract if they choose to offer the program. Amy Shannon-Spector asked meeting attendees if the PTA should fund the program. The program's intent is to target kids that have special needs, but in the past the program has been open to all kids. After some discussion (that was not in favor to fund the program), Amy asked for a vote for not to fund the program and to fund another use for the money, motion was approved. As a next step, Amy will talk to Mrs. McClaine about other options for use of the money or explore using it for Art and Field Day.
- **Nominating Committee-** Angie Leasure, 1st grade, Rebecca Andrews, 2nd grade, Nicole Mayer, 3rd grade, G.G. Stroms, 4th grade, Christianne Johnson, 5th grade
- **Book fair-** Angie Leasure mentioned having a Book Fair dinner, perhaps surrounding the Spring Book Fair, Feb. 23-25th

IX. Announcements and Upcoming Events

11.20- Grade 4 trip to Heinz Hall, 9:45 am - Noon

The Geode Guy

Program, Grade 3, 2:00 pm

11.23-Lab Ratz (3:45–4:45 pm)

11.24, K (AM) Thanksgiving Play

@ 10:45 am, K (PM) Thanksgiving Play

@ 3:00 pm

11.26-11.29- Thanksgiving Break

11.30, Lab Ratz (3:45–4:45 pm)

12.4, Frosty Shop

XI. Adjournment