

Lincoln Elementary PTA Meeting Minutes
January 18, 2017, 7 p.m.

- I. **Call to Order**, called to order at 7:02p
- II. **Approval of Minutes**, Minutes approved at 7:03p (Jen Curran/Marina Siegert)
- III. **Executive Committee Reports**
- IV. **President**
 - *A/C*- Approved for all elementary and middle schools. School will begin after Labor Day for the 2017/2018 school year and end on June 14.
 - *Grand Finale*- Will take place on June 2. Please contact Amy if you are interested in helping.
 - *Unity rally*- Took place on December 18. 250 people attended. Dr. Steinhauer reiterated that our district has a no tolerance policy and every issue will be addressed & looked at.
 - *Talent Show*- We are looking for volunteers to help. Please contact Angie Leasure or Amy Spector if interested.
 - *Parking*- A study is being conducted in regards to the parking around our school. A proposal may be made to make streets near our school permit parking only. More information to follow.
 - *Fitness Festival*- March 24 at 6:30pm more information to follow.
- **First Vice President** – No report
- **Second President** – No report
- **Third Vice President** – No report
- **Fourth Vice President** – Lincoln will be having a classroom management day on January 20 (school will not be in session). End of the nine weeks will be pushed back to the 25th from the 24th. Report cards will go live on the 25th and an email will be sent. Fifth grade transition meeting at JMS will be on the 24th. Upcoming field trips are fourth grade at the Heinz Hall January 26, fifth grade at the Pittsburgh Zoo February 1, and first grade Zoo in the Classroom February 10. Spelling Bee will be Tuesday, February 7, last round of preliminaries are tomorrow. Read in Night grades 1 -3 on February 8, 2017. Lab Ratz program begins February 27 – March 27, 2017. Kindergarten registration packets are available February 1. Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Zajac are distinguished title 1 for students. Lastly, interviews for Ms. Greer are being conducted and we hope to have someone in place by Monday.
- **Corresponding Secretary** – No report
- **Recording Secretary** – No report
- IV. **Treasurer** – Budget amendments under *New Business*
- V. **Historian** – Please turn in your *Committee* reports
- VI. **Teacher Representatives** – Mrs. Staab wanted to thank everyone for the carts and bookshelves. We are also very grateful for the Scholastic Book Fair which

funded an author visit from Patricia Polacco. Lastly, thank you for the 4th grade field trip.

VII. Lincoln Committee Reports

- **Corporate Rewards/Box Tops** – Flyer went out this week and we may do another drive in May
- **Frosty Update** – GG thinks we did make some money, more to follow and Tiffany Marucci and Emily Mallets will be the chairs for the Frosty Shop next year.
- **Health and Safety** – Kids of Steel in conjunction with PGH Three Rivers Marathon. For the kids marathon adults do not need to sign up, however parents must accompany children under 12. On Friday, March 24, from 6:30 – 9:00pm families are invited to our Health/Fitness Festival to see what healthy activities they can do together. Mr. Y has a list of vendors to contact. We will need 6-10 volunteers. If you know of any new vendors that would be interested or would like to volunteer please contact marina.siegert@gmail.com
- **Juvenile Protection Committee** – We have been working with Mr. Kitsko to discuss improvements for the go zone. More parents are aware of the rules and staffs have been outside daily to assist with moving the line along. Signage has been placed to remind everyone to move forward and to not cross on Ralston except at the cross walk. We are continuing to work with Mr. Kitsko in this area and if you have any ideas or suggestions please contact Laurel Kennedy or Debbie West. Morning drop off is definitely better than afternoon pick up for traffic flow and we are discussing possible options of having the kids exit out at different parts of the building.
- **Lunchtime Clubs** – Are underway and going well. Every child who wanted a club got one and everyone seems to be enjoying themselves. Session II will begin 2/13.
- **Mardi Gras** – Saturday, February 25, 2017 from 11-3:00pm. We secured the same DJ from last year. We will also have face painting and other fun things for the kids to do. Missy is organizing parent help and things are moving along.
- **Newcomer Meeting** – Will take place on Monday, January 23 at 7:00pm. ESL families as well as new families to Lincoln or anyone who has general questions about the school are welcome.

VIII. Old Business – No report

IX. New Business

- Copies increase from \$500-\$1,200. We have one copy budget and questions were raised to recheck the budget and see if it includes paper, toner, etc. GG Strom and Marina Siegert motioned.

- Field trips we want to amend the budget from \$4,000 to \$5,000 to accommodate those grades that missed field trip opportunities last year. GG Strom and Jackie Hoover motioned.

X. Announcements and Upcoming Events

2/22 Lincoln Science Fair sign-up sheet due grades 2 -5 eligible

2/23 STEAM Fair 7p MTLHS

2/25 Mardi Gras 11:00am – 3:00pm. Help is needed with donations.

2/27 LabRatz

3/1 Hip Hop Fundamentals program (10:30am & 1:30pm)

3/2 Read Across America Day

3/6 LabRatz 3:45-4:45 pm

3/13 LabRatz 3:45-4:45 pm

3/13-16/17 Scholastic Book Fair help is needed with set-up, shifts, and teardown.

Please contact Robyn Williams if interested.

3/21 Coffee with the Principal

XI. Adjournment 8:10p (Jenn Thompson)