

Lincoln School PTA Meeting Minutes, September 17,2019

Meeting Called to Order: 8:30 AM

Meeting Attendees: 11

Opening Ceremony

- Pledge of Allegiance.
- Welcome and brief review of agenda

➤ **A motion was made by Amy Belich to approve the August 2019 minutes. Kate Prasse seconded the motion. The August minutes were approved.**

Guest Speakers- 1st Grade Teachers/Specials Teachers

- 1st grade teachers- (Mrs. Dunn) Thank you for all the fun activities the PTA organized throughout the year. (Mrs. Fagen) Thanks for all the book money it is so helpful in stocking our classroom libraries. (Mrs.Stecker) The money is very useful to the classroom. (Mrs. Rzewuski) Looking forward to the carnival and the food drive has been going great.
- Specials teachers- (Mrs.Walton- librarian) Thank you for getting me all the makers space funds and book award books; hoping to do more maker space this year. I am always taking donations: paper towel rolls, yarn, popsicle sticks to do projects. (Ms. Childrey- art) Thank you for all the support and she will take any donations Mrs. Walton doesn't use. (Mr. Vervack- PE) Thanks for helping clean out the closet, it really helps to have more space to move supplies around. (Mrs.Cowger-music) The \$100 amazon budget is so helpful for me to buy supplies. The music department is going to begin doing more to introduce the kids to choir in middle school. Going to have a combined concert with the middle school in December. We want to keep them motivated in choir in elementary so they continue at Bryan. Choir is for 4th and 5th graders starting early or mid October. Choir is typically in the morning on Thursdays at 7:30. There is a listing of our clubs on the website.
- Reading specialist (Ms. Hoey) and Instructional coach (Ms.Kuziel)- We are looking for volunteers to help organize the book room. Testing is done and acceleration will start on Monday.

Report of the Executive Board

Recording Secretary – Becky Iacob

- Nothing to report

Corresponding Secretary – Tanya Chwojko

- Nothing to report

VP Ways and Means – Jennifer Kramer and Kate Prasse

- Book Fair (Courtenae Trautmann)- Bags were ordered and a name has been picked. Patti Giobbi came to the Anderson Book Fair training session. Patti Giobbi and Morgan Gwillim are the new co-chairs.
- Spirit wear (Jen Kramer)- Has been closed out. Will re-open for a Christmas order
- Yearbook (Jen Kramer)- The committee is looking for pictures and for one more person to join the committee
- Carnival (Jen Kramer)- They are making good progress. Working with key club at York and have gotten 25 high school students to volunteer.

VP Programs – Celia Grebs and Kristy Maiers

- Assemblies (Kristy Maiers)- Both of assemblies have been booked for the year. Oct 21, Pro Kids, will be about respect. February 28, Prismatic Magic, which will be a laser show and bullying theme.
- Social Programs (Jackie Smith)- Met with Meredith Marzano and planned the social events for the year. We are going to stick with the bar nights per grade level to toast the start of the school year. Dates are coming and will be held in October. Over the holidays we are going to do a Chicago Wolves hockey game. Also planning on Windy City Ninja again over an institute day. And the Pool Party at the end of year. New this year we will serve hot dogs at brag night.

Treasurer's Report – Kristi Phipps

- Preliminary Budget Review- Budget has been in the office for 30 days. Some new additions and changes have been made. Increase in expenses for outdoor classroom, chess club, school improvements (standing desks for secretaries), increased sunshine fund to \$2,000, and increase to the welcome committee fund. See report for specific details.

➤ **A motion was made by Kate Prasse to approve the 2019-2020 Financial Budget. Kristy Maiers seconded the budget. The 2019-2020 Financial**

Budget was approved.

- Financial Report was provided. See report for specific details.
 - Monthly Revenues – Monthly revenues are expected from membership dues and activity fee along with spirit wear. Year to date income total is \$9,317.
 - Monthly Expenses – Expenses were collected this month One Lincoln One Book, Student Programs, and some teacher classroom supplies. Year to date expenses total \$10,159.
 - Cash Carry Forward Balance – Currently reporting a cash carry forward balance of \$27,399.

President-Elect – Amy Belich

- Directory (Dianne Schenkenberg)- Everyone should have gotten an email for the directory spot app. In a few days access will be cut off if you have not signed up for PTA. Once all the information is complete, will get the paper copies ordered.
- School kits (Amy Belich)- Kelly Boza reported that over all the number of kits ordered this year is up from last year. A little discrepancy with some of teacher list and the supplies that were ordered. Going to review with teachers for next year to make sure we are all on the same page.
- Staff appreciation (Amy Belich)- The first lunch is set for September 19, with kindergarten hosting
- One Lincoln One Book (Amy Belich)- We have kicked off this program and it ends on October 3rd. At completion Lincoln students who completed all the quizzes will build their own wishtree in Lincoln. The quizzes are online. No weekly deadline just make sure you have all the quizzes completed by October 3.

President – Amy Sutton

- Outdoor classroom (Amy Sutton)- John Chisholm has taken over as chair. He has already made some improvements and is willing to work all year to beautify Lincoln.
- Chess club (Amy Sutton) -Karen Kain reached out and gained feedback that at least 30 kids will return even if charged a larger fee. William from Dynamic Chess will charge to come in and run the program for 10 weeks. PTA will cover \$95/ student of the cost with a \$50 charge to the student. Looking at Monday at 5:30 PM to run the club, it will be for 2nd - 5th graders to participate.
- Sunshine fund (Amy Belich)- This year we will have a welcoming package for those in need. We want to allow them access to anything the rest of the school has; yearbook, ect. They will receive a carnival wristband and some raffle tickets.
- Need a box top coordinator- Colleen Condon volunteered

- Allergy committee (Laura Buzzell)- Will promote teal pumpkin awareness for Halloween and possibly send a link in the blast to print out. Looking for allergy friendly packaged baked goods for the cake walk
- School Board meetings are all recorded and on you tube if you want to watch
- Bryan Facilities meeting at Bryan Middle School on September 30 at 6:00 pm
- September 23 at 7 PM, How to Raise an Adult, will touch on mental health, at York High School
- Oct 11-25 registration for all day kindergarten lottery will be open, it is an online process. There will also be a half day option. Lincoln will not have its own all day kindergarten next year, but we will have priority to receive at other schools through the lottery
- Beth Homan is our District 205 liaison and is willing to come in and talk at a morning PTA meeting. Please get some questions together for her.

Principal – Jennifer Barnabee

- Thrive D205, we received a message from a lady to come in and do a meditation exercise with every grade level
- Food pantry event- over 100 people signed up to volunteer from 4-6PM on September 27
- Picture day is next Friday, September 27

Meeting Adjournment: 9:55 AM

> A motion was made by Kate Prasse to adjourn the meeting. Kristi Phipps seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned.

Upcoming Dates

9/25- Student Late Arrival (9:45 AM)

10/2 and 10/9- Walk to School Wednesday

10/11- No School, Teacher Institute Day

10/14- No School, Columbus Day

10/15- Next PTA meeting at 7PM in the MPR