

MEETING MINUTES

LINCOLN PTO MEETING

August 29, 2016

Meeting Called to order by Amy Dwyer

Time: 8:48

Present: Kristin Bailitz, Melinda Peterson, Suzanna D'Agostino, Amy Dwyer, Kesha Burch, Alison Hawley, Ed Condon, Ann Brennan, Amy Prestes, Julie Brown, Theresa Dubois, Barb Hickey, Nikki Elza, Laura Maychruk, Pam Moriarty, Anna Cook, Dawne Simmons, Drew Peterson, Ann Mills, Jenny Matthews, Casey Godfrey, Amy Hansmann, Alexis Murphy, Janice Moskoff, Laura Hausmann, Kristin Sneeringer

The May 2 minutes were approved.

Executive and Administrative Reports

Superintendent Report

- Dr. Condon introduced Alison Hawley, Director of Curriculum Instruction
- Shared the Focus 2017 document and touched on some details from it: Strategic Plan is in it's second year, we're expanding the STEM program, and launching a blended preschool program
- Barb Hickey came to express her appreciation on behalf of the District 90 school board and emphasized the importance of Community and involvement

Principal Report

- Casey welcomed all the new families and expressed his excitement for the new school year
- mentioned the two new staff members: Danielle Brauweiler (librarian) and Lauren Baiocchi (4th grade)
- Emphasized the focus on cultivating a sense of community within Lincoln through several ways: the PRIDE pledge, monthly assemblies and morning announcements
- it is safety week this week (drills and dates/times on website)
- Arrival in morning is more structured-at 8:12 a teacher blows a whistle to signal students to line up in their classroom lines painted on blacktop
- Open House is September 8 at 6:30
- the RTI services provided this year will be much more in classroom time as opposed to pulling them out
- Casey asked to give an extra 'thank you' to the maintenance staff-Danno,

Quincy and Mike for all of their hard work this summer getting the school Ready

Teacher Liason Report

-expressed a 'thank you' on behalf of all of the teachers for our support

Presidents Report

- It was asked if you have anything to hang in the school to always check with Marybeth beforehand and also let her know if you're collecting any forms in the office from PTO so she aware and able to point parents in the right place
- Building Utilization Forms: always fill out before and event and the sooner the better
- there is a presentation Tuesday evening at Roosevelt at 7:00-'Raising Digital Natives'

Treasurers Report

- trying to do a lot more electronically this year, so check email and look for online forms
- there is an effort to be more structured and accountable in recording and book-keeping
- please use the Red folder in the office for forms and to pick up checks
- turn in all receipts and please cash the checks you get for reimbursement

Rev Trak/Webstore

- things are going smoothly so far-system has been streamlined
- Janice just asked to contact her if you need anything

Communications

- Wordpress has been difficult and not letting them update, but working on it
- deadline is Thursdays at midnight for the Sunday Lincoln Log
- remind families to sign up to receive Lincoln Log as that is the only way to get it

Fundraising

- School supplies:** went very well
- Fun Lunch:** table in multipurpose room are now being used to serve food, currently in 'late fee' period and will continue until Sept. 15, we are sticking with the same vendors as last year
- Movie Night:** takes place Friday, Sept. 9 and the movie is Zootopia, popcorn and popsicles will be provided, but bring own water bottles/drinks

- Spirit Wear:** an order form went out in Friday folders and items will be sold at the back to school picnic this Thursday
- Fundraising:** figuring out which classroom need/want boxtops and looking into a possible fundraiser at Alitos/Giordanos

Instructional and Extra Curricular

- FLIP:** sign-up closes Sept. 2
- Theater Club:** meets the first Tues of every month and is full
- Math Circle:** is full and currently limited to third grade
- Authors/Assemblies:** looking for a speaker to address allergies
- Bike Safety:** for second grade, Tues/Wed after school this week

Social, Community and Hospitality

- Lincoln Links:** new family orientation was great!
- Teacher back to school gifts:** still to be distributed
- Room Parent Coordinators:** need emails for communication purposes

Green4Good

- plan to do walk to school in October
- if any committee needs biodegradable supplies, let Laura know
- will coordinate Fun Lunch Friday garbage display for the kids

Board Liason

- nothing to report

New Business

- looking for a possible new location for the Lincoln Auction-let Ann Brennan know if you have any connections/ideas

Next Meeting Dates:

- Thursday, Sept 8-open house and budget approval
- Monday, Sept 12 at 8:45-next PTO meeting in Multipurpose room

Meeting Adjourned: 10:10 a.m.