#### MEETING MINUTES

#### LINCOLN PTO MEETING

#### **November 2, 2015**

## Meeting Called to order by Tammy Travis

Present: Casey Godfrey, Tammy Travis, Amy Dwyer, Kristin Bailitz, Nancy Snyder, Temeka Magett, Maureen Spielman, Karen Goldberg, Jackie Holland, Lissa Kiep, Jennifer Ashley, Laura Maychruk, Annie Dwyer

Time: 8:49 a.m.

The October 5<sup>th</sup> minutes were approved.

# **Executive and Administrative Reports**

# **Superintendent Report**

- -congratulations on the Blue Ribbon celebration
- -IL school report cards, which are updated annually, is online at <a href="https://www.illinoisreportcard.com">www.illinoisreportcard.com</a> (can view Lincoln's report card)
- -COW meeting coming up on Nov.  $3^{\rm rd}$  will discuss the topic of full-day kindergarten
- -Stragetic plan-still in place

# **Principal Report**

- -the Buddy Bench is in!
- -Pancake breakfast was a very nice, relaxing, family event
- -Blue Ribbon celebration is in Washington D.C. this coming weekend (Nov. 6-8) that he and Mrs. Moriarty will attend
- -Common Language-talking to students about what is it and what is expected of a Lincoln student
- -Fourth graders will start a safety patrol program, "Eagle Eyes", which is a leadership role in which students will be stationed on the playground before and after school and in the hallways
- -Parent/Teacher conferences are this week
- -Computer will be set up in the lobby during conferences to remind parents to sign up for the Lincoln Log if they haven't done so

## **Teacher Liaison Report**

- -teachers ordered standing desks and more yoga balls which are in
- -thank you for all the Blue Ribbon celebration efforts
- -Lissa was asked by a parent to relay clean-up efforts to kids during such events as there has been a lot of garbage

## **President's Report**

- -Blue Ribbon celebration recap-450 cups of hot chocolate and over 550 cookies; very nice to pause and recognize the achievement
- -Families can leave the Blue Ribbons on their trees until late November
- -School Calendar-if you have any dates or changes, please go through Maribeth and don't make changes yourself
- -the school is moving to an electronic scheduling calendar hopefully by the end of December
- -School Auction-rescheduling the date from April 29 to March 11
- -Coupon Book Fundraiser-too much of a burden on the teachers, so not doing it this year
- -Highlight ways to give back to the school such as Amazon Smile program

## **Fundraising**

- -Picture Retake: Nov. 11-checking to see when students will get originals
- -Pancake Breakfast/5K: big success despite bad weather-waiting on numbers still to see profit
- **-Spirit Wear:** Blue Ribbon sales-\$1823.00; Pancake Breakfast Sales-\$2400, Will set up table during Winter concert for next sale; first 'Spirit wear Friday' will be Thurs, Nov. 5
- **-Book Fair:** banners and posters going up Nov. 2, teachers notified of events, still looking for volunteers for shifts, sold 21 pre-orders of Wimpy Kid, there will be a book mark contest this year and a lollipop tree, both of which will have discounts for prizes, and there will be a separate SEL book shelf

#### Instructional and Extra Curricular

- **-Authors and Assemblies:** Halloween storyteller-great presentation again, so looking to book her for next year
- **-Coding Club:** found some parent volunteers which is greatly helping and district bought mini-robot for kids to learn to program
- -Family Math Night: went very well and there is a display outside gym
- **-International Fest:** send kids 'around the world' and introduce them to foreign countries, scheduled for Feb. 7

### Social, Community and Hospitality

- -Conference Dinners: all set to go, using new restaurants this year
- **-Heartworks:** meeting Nov. 2 during lunch and after school, over \$200 was raised from food bucks drive

- **-Buddy Bench:** installed and Mr. Godfrey will reiterate the purpose of it, look into landscaping that corner for spring
- -Tennis and Yoga: after school sign up and classes will begin after new year
- -Gratitude Jars: moving forward to start this month
- **-Adult Book Club:** <u>Teach Your Children Well</u> by Madeline Levine was picked as the first book and will be sold at book fair, book club to be held Jan. 28

#### G4G

- -Walk to School Day: about 150 walkers-hoping for more in spring
- -Halloween Costume Swap: not a big turnout, remaining costumes donated
- **-Fun Lunch:** more compost is needed-either bigger bins or more frequent pick-up
- -Native Garden: still in the planning stages, but moving forward

## **Board Liason Report**

- -approved development for condos across from Lincoln
- -park district is building a new gym at the Depot
- -looking into air conditioning options for d90 schools/classrooms

#### **New Business**

- -next IMPACT meeting is Tues, Nov. 10 at Roosevelt
- -CLAIM meeting at Percy Jullian School on Nov 2 at 7:30 if anyone interested

Next meeting date: Monday, Dec. 7 at 8:45 in Lincoln Conference Room

Meeting Adjourned: 10:06 a.m.