



PTA Meeting Agenda

PTA: North Side Elementary

Date: September 25, 2019

Time: 7:00pm – 8:15pm

I. President's Welcome

- Please Sign In – There were 18 members in attendance including: Jenelle Petersen, Katie Stirpe, Lisa Orlowski, Sarah Box, Susan Ososki, Maria Miller, Angela Wydra, Janelle Heller, Beth Goodyear, Colleen DeFrank, Kelly Painter, Tammy Keller, Amanda Dulovich, Kim Mazzolla, Jenn Andrews, Shauna Haley, Nykkia Benkovic, Meredith Bomgardner. In addition, there were 2 PTA Officers in attendance: Jen Anson and Crystal Moran
- Introductions and Greetings – Jen Anson welcomed everyone. Members all introduced themselves and shared how many North Side students and kids they have.
- Calendar Updates for 2019-2020 – Jen Anson spoke discussed the Google calendar and encouraged parents to use this. Everything is up-to-date and includes both school and PTA events. The link is on the facebook page.

II. Principal's Comments / Teachers Remarks – Mrs. Box and Mrs. Ososki were both present

- Halloween Parties are on Friday, November 1st.
- PBIS Family Night is Thursday, October 3rd – 5:30-7:30pm. Variety of activities that highlight the “high five” qualities. This is not a timed event and families may come and go at their own your pace.
 - Mathnasium and the Dauphin County Library will be there.
 - Free slice of pizza for each student.
 - Book Fair will be open.
- School Wide September Reward is Friday, September 27, 2019. It is outdoor games and each grade level has a 30-minute time slot. Mrs. Ososki welcomes any parent helpers to assist the students and help keep the stations running smoothly. Approximately lasts from 10:00am till 1:00pm, with 5th grade going at the very end of the day.
- Box tops – families can still cut out box tops and turn them into the school. New this year, families can scan receipts opposed to cutting box tops out. Normally, the school receives approximately \$1,000 per year.
- Giant A+ Reward Card
- 2nd and Charles donated all the books you see in the boxes around the school.
- High 5 Store – store where students can go purchase items with their high 5's. Donations are appreciated (keychains, happy meal toys, old party favors etc.).
- STEM Lab – created new this year using Scholastic Dollars earned through Book Fair. looking for donations of things such as: toilet paper rolls, Legos, blocks, bubble wrap, pipe cleaners. Essentially things you might just throw away that can be recycled and potentially used for STEM activities.

- III. Approval of Meeting Minutes from April 2019 – Colleen DeFrank motioned to approve the minutes. Janelle Heller seconded that motion.
- IV. Membership Report- Director of Membership- Michelle Heinbaugh was not present. Jen Anson noted that the \$5 you pay to be a member; the PTA does not keep. It goes to the state.
- V. Budget Report- Treasurer- Kristen Hanford was not present. Jen Anson noted there is approximately \$14,600 in bank account.
- VI. Vice President Report- Melissa Kurmakov (Vice President) was not present.
- VII. Past Events and/or Programs Report
 - Teacher Appreciation: Kim Ramberger & Lindsay Moawad – not present. Jen Anson spoke about the event.
 - Held in May
 - Different theme each year
 - Parent donations needed
 - Field Day: Dr. Eldred runs this event.
 - Parents were able to volunteer for the obstacle course and to hand out water/popsicles.
 - This year’s format will most likely be the same.
 - June Jubilee: Jenn Andrews, Andrea Cavoli, Amanda Dulovich, Jamie Tum
 - Always held day before last day of school.
 - Last year’s theme was Luau and was successful.
 - This year theme is not yet chosen.
 - Ice Cream Social: Jen Anson
 - Ran out of ice cream at the very end and some families were expecting an actual sundae bar based on picture and name. Discussion was had as to whether we should go back to the way it was done prior – ice cream sundae bar. After weighing pros and cons decision was made to change name (e.g. popsicle party or frozen treats) so parents/students were not disappointed.
 - Coupon Books: Kristen Hanford – not present.
 - Noodles & Company Spirit Night: Michelle Heinbaugh-not present.
- VIII. Upcoming Events
 - Book Fair: Jen Anson & Meredith Bomgardner
 - Set-up Friday morning @ 9:15. Again this year, the PTA will be giving a free book (up to \$10) to each student. A time to sign up sheet went out to all parents to help. Badges are required.
 - Dudes and Donuts: Julie Clemens & Rick Heinbaugh – not present.
 - It is next Thursday and Friday (October 3rd and 4th). Mrs. Box opened a discussion about making the name more all-inclusive. Names such as Breakfast with Buddies or Pastries with Parents were suggested. No definite decision was made on a name change.
 - Super Male Readers – Colleen DeFrank – October 3rd and 4th. More volunteers needed. A volunteer badge is required.
 - Picture Day: Ali Simpson



- Picture day is Friday, October 11th
- New picture company is being used this year. It was noted by a member if you have multiple students in the district, there is a family code that will provide a discount for additional children.
- R&K Sub Sale: Crystal Moran & Amanda Dulovich
 - The delivery date changed to Wednesday, October 30th since Trick-or-Treat is now on October 31st. Flyers and order forms will be sent home the first or second week in October. All orders will be due by Monday, October 21st. More subs/pretzels sandwiches will probably be offered on the order from this year.
- Chik-Fil-A Spirit Week: Michelle Heinbaugh – October 14th thru 17th
- 5th Grade Chorus Performance @ Hershey Bear Game. Hershey Bear tickets will be sold like the Senator tickets were sold last year. If you don't want to go to the game November 3rd, you can buy a voucher for another game. Sale will probably begin in October.
- Dave & Buster Power Card Sale: Michelle Heinbaugh – not present
 - Once again, the PTA will be having a Power Card Sale. The sale will begin before Christmas. Benefits of purchasing a card is you do not need to pay \$5 activation fee. Jen Anson approximates we made \$1300-\$1400 last year.

IX. New Business

- Open Chair and/or Committee Member Positions
 - BINGO Night – Chair & Committee Members needed: Michelle Heinbaugh is past chair but is looking to step down. Michelle will help transition someone. Beth Goodyear was a committee member last year and would be willing to help. If nobody is willing to step up and chair event, it may be eliminated.
 - Skating Party – Chair Position: Shauna Haley will be new chair.
 - 5th Grade Party – Chair & Committee Members needed. Jen Anson will have a meeting with parents where she can hand everything over to new chair.
 - North Side Pride T-Shirts – Co-Chair for T-Shirts & for Sponsors needed
 - Ice Cream Social – Co-Chair needed
 - Book Fair – Chair & Committee Members – need more members. Angela Wydra will help.
- Clarifying Fundraisers – PTA tries to do fundraisers that give parents an opportunity to buy something not just give money. A member spoke that from an outsider perspective, she thinks what we offer is good. We were able to drop budgets on things by asking for family donations.
- Assembly Ideas
 - Ag Lab will not be at North Side this year. It cost approximately \$3,500. PTA is offering that amount for a different assembly. Jen Anson and Mrs. Box will talk at a later time about ideas.
- Field Trip Letter – The PTA is going to make one field trip letter this year for all teachers to hand out. PTA now asks for a \$5 donation to cover the increasing cost of field trips. Suggestion was made to have a spot where parents can check and donate additional money if they desire. All students go on field trip regardless if they bring in their \$5.

- 5th graders are asked to bring in \$10 because their field trip cost more and they receive a t-shirt.

X. Parents' Comments and Topics for Discussion

- A member inquired about how long clearances take and how long it takes to obtain a CD volunteer badge. First couple years it took longer. Even if you have clearances or a badge from another school district, you must have a Central Dauphin badge to volunteer in the schools.

XI. Next PTA Meeting is November 14, 2019 @ 7:00pm