



Schwenksville Elementary School Home and School Association Meeting

Minutes

Monday, January 28, 2019

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1. Review and approve minutes from November 2018 meeting
-Minutes were approved by Stephanie Glover and seconded by Sarah Nickels.
2. President's Report: Alison Minkon
-The Winter Dance and Bingo were great successes. We need to think about engaging parents for when the current board members move to middle school. The more people are involved, the better and easier everything is.
3. Coordinating Council Meeting Update
-Stephanie Glover attended the meeting. Members of the PV Loan Board were present. The PV Loan gives out scholarships for college to graduating seniors. They give out \$1,500 per student for up to four years. Applications are due April 15th. They are looking to grow so they can help more students. They are looking for donations and fundraising. A link can be found on the PVSD website. There is a new app mandated by the State called "Safe to Say." If a student or parent hears something or sees something on social media, you can report it anonymously through the app. The reports are sent to a call center in Harrisburg then filtered to the appropriate parties (police, principal, etc.) The PVSD 1:1 initiative is moving forward. In March, ninth graders will be getting Chromebooks and in the fall, incoming ninth and fifth graders will get new Chromebooks and other grades will get what is already in house. Dr. Powers believes it is actually ninth and sixth grade. This will likely be clarified at the February board meeting. Insurance will be purchased by the district. Dr. Powers will seek an answer to how the district plans to assist families without Internet. A decision has been made regarding South Elementary. They will be renovating. There will be no redistricting or tearing down of the school. Most of the work will be done over the summer and other work will be done here and there.
4. Treasurer's Report: Stephanie Glover
-The Board granted some more teacher request. Stephanie needs to reach back out to a few teachers. Mr. Silver bought cubes for his class, Mrs. Lycosky bought headphones and other requested flexible seating for their rooms. The Schwenksville branch of our bank is closing in March or April. We will need to go to Limerick after that.
5. Teacher Representative(s):
-Mrs. James attended the meeting. She said that Bingo was awesome, the baskets were beautiful and everyone had a good time. Dr. Powers provided an update from Mrs. Curtis. The All For Books coin collection will be February 19th- February 22nd. The book fair will be March 4th-March 11th and the Family Art Show/Book Fair will be March 8th from 4-7pm. Mrs. Curtis needs plastic bags for the book fair and volunteer cashiers for March 8th.
6. Recent/Upcoming Events and Topics:
 - a. Winter Dance: Sarah Nickels - Friday, December 7th

-The dance was a success. We need to consider starting 15 minutes later because of Y Care.

b. Bingo: Jessica Edelstein - Friday, January 25th

-We need to look into American Girl for next year. We also need to order more pretzels. There is a separate security form that needs to be filled out with the district.

c. Yankee Candle Fundraiser: Sarah Nickels - February 2nd-22nd

-Packets are going out this week in the Wednesday folder. We received 3 candle samples that will be displayed then used for a raffle for Bingo. Orders will be delivered before Easter.

d. Movie Night: Stephanie Glover - February 22nd

-Stephanie had something come up so Sarah is planning to help. We are going to show Small Foot.

e. Cards for a Cause Fundraiser: Lisa Gallagher - Kickoff March 9th

-Stephanie will talk to Lisa to confirm.

f. Variety Show: Nicole Vozzolo - Friday, March 29th

-No one was present with an update.

7. Ongoing Activities:

a. Garden Club: Becky Tait

-Next Meeting February 7th at 7pm

-The club is working to plan the Earth Day Celebration, which will be April 27th. We sold carnations at the winter dance and made around \$140. We are having our plant sale with Earth Day again. The Fightin Phils fundraiser continues. Reminders will be going out again this week.

b. Box Tops, Recycling Program: Amy Michetti

-No one was present for an update.

c. Amazon and Giant Awards Program: Keith Gilchrist

-We currently have \$1,046 from Giant and \$576 from Amazon. We may be able to use Amazon Smile through the app.

d. Yearbook: Denby Guellich

-Denby will send out postcards in March and forms in April and put reminders on Facebook.

8. Principal's Report: Dr. Barbara Powers

-On Wednesday, NAEP will be coming to test fourth graders. Students are randomly selected for the testing. Middle School West will be testing the same day. We are going to try to run the Title 1 Summer School again this year and will be sending information out to families soon. It went well last year and those who participated did not experience the "summer slide."

Next Meeting: Monday, February 25th at 7pm