

Franconia Home and School Meeting Minutes

Date: March 13, 2018

Attending: J. Hagan, L. Heineck, S. Parente, M. Yothers, S. Peterson, V. Alburger, B. Moyer, L. Brown, K. Oglensky, J. Shellenberger, K. Derstein, K. Word, K. Pisoni

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by President, Janie Hagan

President's Report: Jane Hagan

- Minutes from the February meeting were reviewed and approved with a motion by Val Alburger seconded by Bobbi Moyer.
- Free Movie Screening of, Screenagers: Growing up in the Digital Age, will be held on April 4th at Indian Valley Middle School. Kids ages 11 and over are welcome to attend.
- The technology gifts purchased by Home and School have arrived and are currently in use by grades K-5th!
- The Muffins with Mom budget has been increased to \$350. Approval was needed and was motioned by Kara Derstein and seconded by Bobbi Moyer.

Treasurer's Report: Stephanie Parente

- The Treasurer's report was circulated and the revenue and expenditures were discussed.
- Merck made a matching donation of \$200 for Race for Education.
- Expenses: \$100 was paid to Artists in Action to teach our students about artwork. The \$254.87 listed under Miscellaneous represents the \$250 donation made to the Peter Powerhouse Foundation and card sent to the Reath family.
- Revenue: Received a check for \$38.49 from Amazon Smile. Two additional vendors paid for Mommy Market space totaling \$50. A total of \$65.71 was made at our last Pretzel Day.
- The current balance is \$44,165.20.

Principle's Report: Laura Heineck

- Our garden project will kick-off on 4/30 at 9 am. Please bring your child for the ground breaking! Mr. Krupp, was able to get soil and lumber donated for the garden. Souderton High school students will be building a vegetable cart for our garden and a bench will be donated. Penn State extension will be coming to help teach our students about gardening. The garden will be located near the 3rd grade wing. This is a 3 year grant and money is given each year to help sustain the garden. A sign-up sheet to help with the garden over the summer was circulated.
- Students throughout the school made thank you cards for our bus drivers who worked hard during the snow storm to get them home safely.
- Mrs. Heineck now has an app that will send information to parents in case the phones are out of service due to loss of power.
- May 15th is a teacher In-service day. Teachers will be completing a civilian response trained titled, "ALICE" (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate).
- Mrs. Shellenberger, our reading specialist, discussed options for the summer Book Blast. It was decided to distribute a cost effective gift such as a bookmark or refrigerator magnet. Also discussed was possibly having a book donation box at the May Book Fair to help students who are economically

disadvantaged. Mrs. Shellenberger is writing to Bergey's to request a donation in order to purchase books for each student at Franconia. She will have details regarding an author visit for April's H & S meeting.

- Over \$7,200 was raised for the American Heart Association.

Committee Reports:

- **Book Fair:** Shawna Boell & Stefanie Peterson- the book fair will be held on May 2, 2018 at Open House and will open 30 minutes prior to Open House. A volunteer form was available at tonight's meeting.
- **Box Tops:** Stephanie Parente- The fourth counting period ended on February 21st. Mrs. Krupp's 3rd grade class won the trophy! Our next collecting period ends on March 30th. The winner from the final count in May will be based on the most Box Tops submitted for the entire year. Please visit www.boxtopsforeducation.com for a chance to win 5,000 Box Tops for our school. You may enter everyday through April 1st.
- **Dad's Night:** Kim Dommel- This was a fun and successful evening with a total of 340 in attendance!
- **Fifth Grade Promotion:** Janie Hagan- The theme committee is hard at work on the décor and props. The designs for the invitations and t-shirts have been completed. The next meeting will be held in early April. Fourth grade parent volunteers will be needed to help set up for and replenish food. A Sign-Up will be coming soon.
- **Franconia Falcon Flyer:** Stefanie Peterson- please send all announcements to Stefanie at smbatts3@hotmail.com by 8pm on Tuesday nights.
- **Fundraising:** Maureen Yothers-
 1. Wawa Shorti Coupon Sales: Order forms went home with students on March 12th. Sales will run through March 23rd, but coupons are limited and will be sold on a first come first serve basis. The coupons are \$4 each or \$100 for a pack of 25. There will be no fall sale.
 2. Wendy's Family Dine Out Night: Dine Out Night will be on Thursday, April 24th from 5:00-8:00 pm. Tickets will be sent home with students that Monday and will also be available online.
 3. Community Recycling Program: Five boxes will be available at school during the spring Open House. They will be located in the lobby entrance by the office and at the cafeteria entrance near the restrooms. Please consider bringing in your gently used shoes.
- **Home and School Website:** Stefanie Peterson- If you have a flyer to post please send it to Stefanie at smbatts3@hotmail.com at least 3 weeks in advance of your event or fundraiser.
- **Holiday Family Night:** Janie Hagan & Val Alburger- Melissa DeSimone will join Stacy Bucher and Jamie Fox as part of the Holiday Shop team! The inventory spreadsheet has been created and is already being added to.
- **Homeroom Parent Coordinator:** Stacy Bucher- End-of-year socials are the only ones remaining for this school year. Lead Parents coordinate the date and time for this social with the classroom teacher directly.
- **Hospitality:** Liz Martin & Kelly McMackin- No report.
- **Indian Valley Ed Foundation:** Kim Dommel- IVEF will be hosting an online auction with hopes of raising \$15,000. They are in search of businesses that would be willing to make donations for a basket to be auctioned. If interested in donating a basket or if you would like to donate money directly, please contact the IVEF. Franconia Home and School has created an Eagles theme basket/tin.

- **Lip Synch Night:** Monica Jalboot & Lynne Solly- There are 27 acts set for Lip Synch Night which includes a teacher act and a 5th grade act. Over half of the 5th grade has signed up to participate in the class act! Practices for the 5th grade act be in the afternoons after PSSAs during the week of April 9th.
- **Mommy Market:** Janie Hagan- Saturday, March 24th. There has been an interest in 16 tables so far. Additional tables are still available if you are interested in selling your gently used baby and children's items.
- **Muffins with Mom:** Maureen Yothers & Lauren Brown- May 9th: Our art teacher, Mrs. Swanson, is asking a few students to make flowers for centerpieces. Parents that RSVP for this event will be asked to submit a photo of their child for a slideshow that will be displayed on the stage. Volunteers will be needed so please reach out to anyone that may be available on this day from 7:30-8:30am. A Sign-Up Genius will be sent out in April.
- **Pretzel Day:** Kelli Adams- Our March Pretzel Day earned \$45.00. Our last and final pretzel day of the year will be on Friday, May 4th.
- **Spiritwear:** Katie Pisoni- We will be having a spring sale due to popular demand. A flyer will be created soon and will have an order due date of April 20th. The goal will be to have all spiritwear items back by Memorial Day.
- **Sundae Bar:** Kelley Word- The next Sundae Bar will be Wednesday, March 21st. We are asking students to prepay the morning of Sundae Bar if purchasing a la carte. This request is made in hopes to reduce long lunch lines. A half sheet flyer went in teacher mailboxes today and will be in this week's newsletter explaining the process.
- **Superintendent's Parent Council:** Stacy Bucher- A meeting was held on Friday, March 2nd and a report was sent to the Exec Board and all Lead Homeroom Parents. Topics included Indian Valley Character Counts! Coalition upcoming programs: Have You Had the Conversation? And Screenagers, about learning to help kids navigate the digital age; District budget concerns with the charter school funding formula; ongoing work by the anti-bullying committee, school safety.
- **Yearbook:** Kelli Adams- PDA's have been received and are being processed. Yearbook sales are open and the due date is 4/6, without exceptions. Yearbooks are \$16 per soft cover, with an option to upgrade or personalize. A limited number of books will be sold during lunch the last week of school. We are in need of 3rd grade and kindergarten pictures. Please send any photos to chrisandkelli@comcast.net.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:17 pm

Meeting minutes submitted by,

Stefanie Peterson
Home and School Secretary