

Franconia Home and School Meeting Minutes

Date: November 14, 2017

Attending: J. Hagan, L. Heineck, S. Parente, S. Peterson, B. Moyer, K. Dommel, K. Derstein, L. Solly, M. Jalboot, K. Word, E. Feldwieser

Meeting was called to order at 7:09 pm by President, Janie Hagan

President's Report: Jane Hagan

- Minutes from the October 2017, meeting were reviewed and approved with a motion by Bobbi Moyer and seconded by Monica Jalboot.
- Mr. Derstein graciously donated his time along with some materials to build a ramp for the shed that was donated by H & S last school year.
- The entertainment for Dad's Night, Feb. 23, 2018, may be a portable planetarium show. There are a few kinks that need to be addressed in order for this specific theme to happen. We have tentatively scheduled a magician as a backup for this evening's entertainment. A decision will be announced at the January meeting. There is no Home & School meeting in December.
- We are looking to borrow 2-3 pre-lit Christmas trees for Holiday Family Night. Trees are only needed for that night and can be returned after the event. No decorations for the trees are needed. Some of the high school choir will be at Holiday Night dressed in caroling attire and will be singing holiday music. Snowman shaped pretzels will be provided free of charge.
- Help is needed to paint and update Holiday Family Night signs. A sign-up sheet was available.

Treasurer's Report: Stephanie Parente

- The Treasurer's report was circulated and the revenue and expenditures were discussed.
- Expenses: miscellaneous reflects \$38 spent for the new shed ramp, Book Blast pizza party, stamps, dj and pretzels were purchased for Race for Ed. Box Tops trophy, Technology Club supplies, and staff & teacher appreciation. Paid \$8,200, for school field trips. Bake Sale refund was given due to overpayments.
- Revenue: Deposit was made for bake sale and admission from the Mommy Market. Made almost \$100 in pretzel sales in October.
- The current balance is \$37,463.34.

Principle's Report: Laura Heineck

- The district will supply the mulch, painting and blacktop for school playgrounds. Home and School will pay for all maintenance and any new equipment.
- Eighteen girls have signed up for the Girls on the Run program. Two additional coaches are need. Deadline to sign up is the first week on December. The 5K will be held on May 20, 2018.
- Franconia is currently #1 in the district, 17th in the state and 40th in the nation in First In Math! Our goal is to achieve significant growth in math. The goal for our school is for each student to earn 3,000 stickers by the end of the school year. Currently, Franconia students have earned a total of 2 million! At this time, Mrs. Edward's class is the top earners. A First In Math trophy was awarded to them.
- Franconia is participating in Operation Helping Hands. Each student is asked to bring one or more nonperishable item to school. The Keystone Opportunity Center, our local food pantry, will distribute these items to those in need. We will also be collecting items to help a school in need in the Philadelphia area. A flyer will go home with our students at a later date.
- On February 9, 2018, we will be hosting a parent only Tech Talk Night. Parents will learn about cyber safety. Our school counselor, Barb Coale, will host a power point presentation on this topic as well as discuss anti-bullying strategies.

Committee Reports:

- **Bingo Night:** Karen Anderson & Shawna Boell-January 26th from 6:30-8:00pm. Another co-chair is still needed to work alongside Karen and Shawna. Franconia and Oak Ridge are splitting the cost of purchasing bingo cards instead of renting them. Rentals will no longer be needed.
- **Book Fair:** Shawna Boell- May 2, 2018, in the gym at the Open House. A co-chair and volunteers are needed for this event. Shawna handles all of the communication with Scholastic.
- **Box Tops:** Stephanie Parente- The first collection period ended on October 25th. The winning classroom was 3-1, Mrs. McLaughlin. The next collection period ends on December 1st. Please visit www.btfe.com, for a chance to win 10,000 Box Tops and 400 reams of paper for our school. You can enter every day until November 30th. A check for \$1,070.20 will be coming from Box Tops for Education.
- **Dad's Night:** Kim Dommel- February 23, 2018. This will be a K-5 event and will be held at Indian Crest from 6:30-8pm. A snow date of March 2nd at Franconia Elementary has been scheduled. The venue that was previously discussed for this event is Stars on the Move which is a portable planetarium. However, new details regarding the length of the program and the capacity level have caused for further planning. A backup magician has been secured for this event in case we are unable to accommodate the planetarium.
- **Fundraising:** Maureen Yothers-
 1. Caruso's Dine-Out Night was a huge success. Joseph, the owner, graciously donated their entire day of sales from November 2nd to H& S. He also increased his donation to 25% of his total revenue, totaling \$1,000! Our next Dine-Out Night will be April 24th, at Wendy's on 113.
 2. Wawa Shorti Coupon Sales: Official sales will began on Monday, November 6th and will end on Friday, November 17th. Tickets are \$4/each, \$24/100. Tickets will be distributed after Thanksgiving break. Our next sale will be in March.
 3. Community Recycling Project: Franconia will be collecting gently used shoes to be sent to over 50 countries. ShoeBox Recycling is a local company located in Bensalem, PA. Franconia will have 5 boxes available inside the school for collection. Our goal is to fill all 5 boxes. Flyers will be sent home with additional details. Interested volunteers please contact Maureen Yothers, maureenyothers@yahoo.com
- **Giant A+:** Leah Hetherington will be chairing this event effective next school year.
- **Fifth Grade Promotion:** Janie Hagan- No report.
- **Hands Across the District:** Kelley Word- No report.
- **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- Friday, December 1 from 6-8pm. A Sign-Up Genius for volunteers has been sent to all Hands form volunteers. There are multiple 30 minutes slots that still need to be filled as well as baked goods that are needed. A sign-up sheet was available on the sign in table.
- **Homeroom Parent Coordinator:** Stacy Bucher- Thank you to the homeroom parents for planning the wonderful Halloween socials. Our next social will be the Winter Social on Friday, December 22nd, from 2-3pm.
- **KidStuff Coupon Books:** Karen Anderson- The final numbers are 237 books sold, with a profit of \$2,962.50!
- **Hospitality:** Liz Martin & Kelly McMackin- No report.
- **Lip Synch Night:** Monica Jalboot& Lynne Solly- The event will be explained on December 8th, at the all school assembly. Draft forms were given to Mrs. Heineck for approval. This event will be on Facebook Live! The DJ has been secured. Janie Hagan has volunteered to lead the fifth grade act. Allison Powers will lead the teacher act. People may contact Monica or Lynne or sign up at <http://signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4da9a828aafc1-lipsync>
- **Mommy Market:** Janie Hagan- No report.
- **Pretzel Day:** Kelli Adams- We earned approximately \$53 at our last pretzel day on November 3rd. Our next pretzel day will be January 5th.
- **Race for Education:** Cheri McGiboney& Deb Wiszneski- Race for Education was a huge success. Our total that has been raised, to date, is \$21,698.35! We exceeded our goal of \$20,000, so the students will receive an all school ice cream party. Date to be determined. Donations will be counted as they continue to come in. A list of prize winners was provided.

- **Spiritwear:** Katie Pisoni- The orders for spirit wear should be coming in by the end of this week.
- **School Directory:** Chearmie Benfield- The directory has been distributed.
- **Sundae Bar:** Kelley Word- The next Sundae Bar will be January 25th.
- **Superintendent's Parent Council:** Stacy Bucher- The first meeting of the year covered Schoology, a new anti-bullying committee, the 40 Assets Survey (middle and high school), and an update from the IVEF. An email was sent to the H&S executive team and Lead Homeroom parents. The next meeting is March 2nd.
- **Yearbook:** Kelli Adams- The committee recruited a student yearbook sub-committee. It is made up of 5th graders from each class with the assistance of Mrs. Lelii. The kids chose a theme of "Franconia Elementary, A Force Field for Good." The annual 5th grade cover contest will begin this week with all entries due by 11/28. The teachers will vote of the winning cover. Yearbook sales will begin earlier this year, in late January. Thanks to Heather Morris for taking photographs at the big events that we have held thus far!

Meeting Adjourned: 8:11pm

Meeting minutes submitted by,

Stefanie Peterson
Home and School Secretary