

**Brush PTSA Meeting**

**October 4, 2017**

**Brush Library**

Those in attendance: Crystal Basile, Pam Rossi, Debbie Kendig, Cecelia Gray, David Frey, Anne Frey, Cassandra Jones, Karen Gilmour, Lori Crouse, Jaime Bloom, Tim Carlin, Rhonda Pierce, Timothy Thompson, Robin Thompson, Jodi Turk, Sue Hamilton, Dana Fears, Jeri Hughley, Cheryl McKnight, Heidi Parries

Meeting called to order 7:05 pm

Quorum: Yes

Welcome by Anne Frey.

The Pledge of Allegiance.

Inspiration read by Rhonda Pierce.

A motion to accept the September 6, 2017 PTSA meeting minutes was made by Rhonda Pierce and seconded by Pam Rossi. Motion passed.

**Treasurer, Debbie Kendig –**

Distributed the approved budget comparison to expenses report. Ending balance is \$28,491; income is \$11,448.76 and expenses \$6,311.00.

Received the \$5,000.00 grant for concessions. It will be deposited in October as PNC charges for deposits of \$5,000.00 or more per month. Debbie will look at other bank services to see how they compare once concessions are over.

Looking to add additional signatories to our checking account in order for our 3<sup>rd</sup> VPs can get their own debit cards to make purchases for concessions without sharing one card with Treasurer and President. A motion to add Tiffinae Ware, Melissa Wenzler, Megan Wittels, and Lori Eckman to our account so they can get their own debit cards was made by Debbie Kendig and seconded by Karen Gilmour. Group discussion. There is some concern with the possibility of up to 6 signatories on the account. There is a possibility of people transitioning positions each year, and to add and remove individuals, may prove problematic. A question was asked will their names be on the cards? Yes. This would alleviate the issue of them having to try and use a card with someone else's name for in store purchases. A question was asked if they could get credit cards to minimize liability? Yes; however, they will be subject to the same credit card process as if getting their own card including credit checks. After discussion, another vote was taken. A motion to amend the previous vote to only add Megan Wittels and Lori Eckman to our account as signatories, as they make the majority of in stores purchase, was made by Debbie Kendig and seconded by Karen Gilmour. Motion passed with the following parameters: Cards to be used when no other option, receipts still need to be submitted to Treasurer, and a Liability form will be signed by anyone with access to the account. This vote will be reviewed and voted on each year.

**Corresponding Secretary, report given by Anne Frey –**

– Thank You cards read.

**Principal, submitted by Mr. Williamson; read by Anne Frey –**

Homecoming:

- Homecoming week begins Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup> with Spirit Week.
- Homecoming Assembly is Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup> during 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> periods.
- Homecoming Parade Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup> starting at Memorial Junior High and ending at Korbs Field.
- Homecoming Game, Friday, October 13 vs. Chardon. Expect large crowds.  
Homecoming Dance, Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> 7:00PM-11:00PM.

The first grading period ends Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>.

On Monday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, the bell schedule will revert to 7:52AM and end at 3:00PM. Chrome book rollout doesn't require students to report to 8<sup>th</sup> period class the beginning of the day. A question was asked does the change in start time mean students won't be getting their own Chrome books? Chrome books will continue to be distributed the same way. There will be a parents' meeting February/March 2018 to discuss the roll out for the 2018-2019 year.

A question was asked if we could get an update on the WRC t-shirt sales? The t-shirts are in the Athletic office. The shirts are on sale for \$15.00 each. They will be sold at the Homecoming game too. Shirts will continue to be sold in the school and at other venues.

A question was asked if Korb Field could get a larger American Flag? Current Flag is too small for the current pole. Mr. Williamson will look into it.

**President Report, Anne Frey -**

Sign-up sheets were distributed for committee volunteers.

Reminder to start shopping at the Smile.Amazon.com site. A quick link will be added to our PTA website.

Make sure to purchase your tickets and spread the word about the Rick Smith Magic Show on October 20, 2017. Flyers and videos are available for distribution.

NHS inducted 20 students last month.

NHS will be hosting their Fall Blood Drive on October 19, 2017.

The website is being updated to be used a resource to distribute PTA, school and district information.

Anne will be setting up a meeting with Joanna Lewis.

Mr. Agrast thanks PTA for purchasing the pizza for homecoming. Contact Mr. Agrast if you wish to be a parent volunteer.

Homecoming tickets can only be purchased through EZ Pay.

Executive Board Members were asked to provide Anne their contact information so she can submit to Ohio PTA for the new school year.

The League of Women Voters will be hosting a Meet the Candidates night on October 18, 2017 at 7:15PM in the cafeteria. They're in need of 2 volunteers from Brush PTSA. Debbie Cassidy stated there will be student volunteers from Government.

### **PTA Council, Karen Gilmour –**

All are invited to general PTA council meetings. There will be separate meetings for the Executive Board to discuss and vote on business.

SEL Celebrations, held on September 16, 2017, was a success! Names were gathered of those looking to participate in their respective PTA units. The names were given to the various PTA units for contact.

PTA membership lists will be loaded to the Google drive so it can be accessed year to year.

Annie Beck, 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher at Sunview, will be the PTA Council Treasurer for the 2017-18 school year.

Need to continue to increase promotion for the Rick Smith Magic show. Under 100 tickets sold to date.

Carmen Atchison is the Community Liaison on PTA Council Executive Board.

There will be training on November 1, 2017 from 6:00PM to 9:00PM at Greenview. The November 7, 2017 Council meeting is cancelled and will be held before the November 1<sup>st</sup> training.

### **Membership, Rhonda Pierce –**

Paid members, please make sure you get your membership cards. We currently have 110 members. We will also receive the Early Bird award for Ohio PTA.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> VP, read by Rhonda Pierce -**

PTSA is buying Band Boosters leftovers from Band Spectacular at cost. They're the same items we currently sell. Detailed pricing is still being prepared.

In concessions there are nacho chips expiring, A question was asked to the group regarding their thoughts on Walking Tacos? The group likes the idea to sell for \$3.00 at the Homecoming Football game.

A safe has been found on line for concessions. Payment for the safe will come from the Concessions Maintenance budget line item. The safe will be mounted and only 2 keys available. One for the 3<sup>rd</sup> VPs and the other in the school office.

### **Committees-**

Advoc – none.

After Prom – there will be a meeting October 11, 2017 in the Library.

Grants – Stefanie Rhine is looking for more volunteers to join. She has a rubric and application she would like reviewed by the committee. A question was asked if there should there be a limit on grants? By consensus the group agreed the max should be \$1,000.00.

Health Welfare and Safety – October is Bullying Prevention Month. Various schools in the district are participating in Anti- Bullying activities.

Cassandra Jones dialed into a Podcast regarding Bullying Prevention and resources available for schools, students and parents.

- In the podcast, it was stated there's a correlation between a school's climate and bullying.

- There has been an increase in bullying however now it's being referred to hazing.
- Bullying is not only between students but can involve adults through home life, school administration and sport activities.

Cassandra had a meeting with Melissa Thompson, Director of Pupil Services, to discuss Bullying in the district and how it's handled. There's continued improvement between students, parents, and school administrators.

#### **Student Congress, Tim –**

Homecoming decorations are being done on the third floor every day.

Next meeting is Wednesday, October 11, 2017.

Students receive volunteer hours for assisting with homecoming.

#### **Old Business -**

A motion to pay \$150.00 in expenses from the Senior Carnival held at Community of Partnership on Aging in Lyndhurst over the summer was made by Cheryl McKnight and seconded by Rhonda Pierce. Motion passed.

#### **New Business –**

The Conflict of Interest Policy and Ethics Code of Conduct policies were distributed to the group for review. These will also be posted on the website. Second reading and vote of these policies will be held at next meeting.

School District meetings for parents will be held twice a month from October 12, 2017-May 1, 2017. It's designed to be parent focused.

Please remember to read announcements on the agenda.

The Brush Wall of Fame will be held November 9, 2017.

Don't forget to vote November 7, 2017.

Meeting adjourned 8:25PM.

Submitted by: Crystal Basile, Recording Secretary