



Evans City PTO General Meeting Minutes Friday, November 17, 2017

2017-18 PTO Board Members:

Tammy Tappe & Laura Gates - Co-Presidents

Lisa Ridenour - Vice President

Melissa Smith - Treasurer

Rebekah Kinney - Secretary

- Call to Order: Began at 9:04am. In attendance: Tammy Tappe, Laura Gates, Melissa Smith, Casey Bajack, ShawnLorae Pichieri, Cameron Kandra, Julie Macri, Shannon Maschmeier, Amy Roscoe, Kristen Pologruto, Madeline Nowak, Lisa Ridenour, Jenni Sassaman, and Kristen Kwiatkowski.
- Welcome and Approval of Last Month's Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve Cameron Kandra, Second the motion Melissa Smith.
- Principal's Report: Lauri Pendred, Andrew Teti and Mandy Toy
 - Lauri Pendred - Evans City Elementary Principal
 - Bring Your Parent to Work Day - Teachers and staff brought their parents to work today. Parents will observe their child teach and also talk to the students about what they did to help their child, who is now an educator, grow up to become who they are today.
 - Current Focus - The principals are always reviewing testing data to help them address issues that are a weakness at Evans City Schools. They also are proud of their strengths. The data from standardized testing is color coded to know if there is growth at Evans City. All proficiency levels need to be higher so they are looking for the best answer.
 - Mandy Toy - Evans City Middle School Principal
 - Evans City Middle School was the first to receive notebooks in the Seneca Valley School District for all of 5th and 6th grades. They have been working on getting them labeled and setup. Students are now using them in the classroom. There is a \$30 insurance fee for those students who would like to take theirs home after Thanksgiving Break. This fee will be waived for those in the free and reduced lunch program. The notebooks will be collected at the end of the year to get them ready for the next school year. They are still figuring out the best method of storing and charging them. They will be monitoring students to make sure of appropriate usage and there will be consequences for those who misuse them.
 - McKeever is officially closed. Lutherlyn has agreed to take the group (Zinkham / Rubaker) that did not get to go to McKeever due to a cancellation. They will go in November after the Thanksgiving Break. This will be a good time to see if Lutherlyn could be a permanent replacement for McKeever.

- Officers' Report
 - President/Vice President
 - Social Media Chairperson (Facebook Account) – Jenni Sassaman, who is new to the school, will be posting event highlights on our social media.
 - Green Team Chairperson – Denise Schenck has agreed to help with a recycling batteries program that will recycle the school's old batteries and give the school money to spend on new batteries.
 - Story Book Forest ~ Dec 13th – Collection of canned goods for donation to food bank and Book Forest. We are looking for someone to lead the sorting of food bank items that evening.
 - Five Below Fundraiser ~ November 23rd – December 10th - Details and the flyer are on our website and will be emailed next week. The PTO will receive 10% of any money you send at both the Cranberry Twp and Butler stores during this time. Start shopping for the holidays or even your child's Storybook Forest tree / basket.
 - Skate Night ~ UPMC Lemieux Sports Complex – Saturday, January 20th 7-9pm. You will need to register online by 5pm that day. We will have a link on our website as soon as we get it from the sports complex. It is \$10 per person which includes admission and skate rental.
 - Treasurer - Budget Review: Holiday Sweets Sales are up from last year which is good and will help our budget. Casey Bajack will be shadowing Melissa Smith for the rest of this year and will assume the position of treasurer next year.

- Committee Report
 - Book Fair (Amy Roscoe) Nov 2nd-9th - The Book Fair went well because of the many volunteers who helped during the week-long event. Amy is very appreciative of everyone's help.
 - Social Committee (Kristen Pologruto, Kristen Kwiatkowski) Recap Family Book Fair Night (Nov 2nd), Story Book Forest requests (Dec 13th) - It looks as though Book Fair Family Night made about \$100 after the food costs. The new menu items seemed to be well received.
 - Lunch Helpers (Casey Bajack) - Lunch Helpers is now complete and many parents came to help during the first few months of school. The students always enjoy seeing a familiar face and of course appreciate our help opening their lunch items.
 - Spirit Wear (Danielle Terracio) Update on delivery - Danielle was not at the meeting. Lisa Ridenour said she would follow up to see when the delivery date would be.
 - Fundraising (Rebekah Kinney) Holiday Sweets Sale ended Nov 7th & Distribution Dec 14th 3:10-7pm, 400+ more items were sold this year than last. Therefore we will need even more help during the distribution time. Yankee Candle online sales open through January 11th.

- Box Tops & Labels for Education (Shawn Lorae Pichieri) contest ends Nov 30th - This coming collection is a smaller collection therefore ShawnLorae will not need help cutting and counting.
- Science Fair (Laura Kellar, Shannon Maschmeier) - Saturday, March 3rd - 10am - Shannon thinks that everything will be ready for this. They will do the challenges again this year and also use high school students as well as community members to judge the various projects.
- New Business
 - Mr. Mullett – Jump Rope for Heart - Cameron Kandra has offered to help Mr Mullet with this.
 - Food Bank Sorting @ Story Book Forest – 1 Volunteer to lead
 - Open positions 2018-2019: Yearbook Financials, Fundraiser Chairperson, Lunch Helpers, please consider shadowing the current chairperson. - Jenni Sassaman has offered to take the Lunch Helpers position for next year.
- Announcement: Next meeting January 26th at 9:00am in Faculty B
- Adjournment: Motion to adjourn: ShawnLorae Pichieri, Second the motion: Melissa Smith, meeting ended at 9:52am