

Carlisle PTO Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, March 7, 2017 9:00 am – Community Room, Carlisle Public Schools



Attendees: Amy Caggiano, Carrie Patel, Emily Richardson, Amy Smack, Chris Chiapella, Diane Troppoli, Sandy Eisenbies, Niressa Martin, Carren Panico, Kim Selig, Sara Vuckovic, Liz McIntosh, Heather Huntress, Carrie Wilson, Dennet Sidell.

Amy Caggiano opens the meeting at 9:02.

Administration Updates

Carrie Wilson - The 8th grade successfully completed their high school registration. We have lots of events planned for them in the last couple weeks of June, including the Spirit of Boston cruise. Currently we are preparing for the MCAS, which will be administered this spring. No more PARC or Common Core, we are back to the MCAS format. However most of the testing has been moved to computers, with only Science and Tech still being taken on paper. The test is shorter this year with two tests for each subject. Report cards are coming out on Friday. New TV monitor near Superintendent O'Shea's office - streaming announcements and artwork done by the kids - runs 7 am-4 pm. The OLWEUS (bullying prevention program) survey was successful. The results came back and were very positive overall. We are using those results to help with our planning for next year.

Dennet Sidell- The elementary classes also completed their OLWEUS surveys and we are looking forward to training for the staff in June, so they are ready for day one in September. SAC is looking at the plaza and wanting to bring in more grass space to the plaza. They are looking into playgrounds from all over the country, as well as the world and trying to get ideas for some "natural" playgrounds. Fourth grade is now in their third language and we will be sending out a sheet for them to pick which language they want to take in 5th. The 3rd and 7th graders are working together to collect donations for a local animal shelter. The 3rd grade had their Native American museum and showed off their projects and sang their songs. Grades 1-2 had a meteorologist come in to talk to the kids about weather.

Jim O'Shea- not in attendance today.

PTO Thank Yous!

- ✓ Carrie Patel for organizing February's Bingo Night
- ✓ Diane Troppoli & Jenn Saak for volunteering to help out with Summer Camp Fair
- ✓ Christine Lear for her input on Volunteering & Recruitment
- ✓ Sandy Eisenbies for getting the Book Fair up and running online

Ongoing Business

[Approve February 2017 Minutes](#)

[Amy Caggiano made a motion to approve the minutes.](#)

[Carren Panico seconded the motion.](#)

[The February minutes were approved.](#)

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Board Updates

Friday nights in April and May- Social dance and Etiquette classes \$125 for all of Sixth Grade.

President: Job Documentation/Timelines, Volunteer Interest for 2017-18 - Carlisle Artiseans gave us over \$900 , as they picked us as their charity this year. We also got a sizable donation from a family in town as thanks for the Shakespeare and hokki stools.

Kindergarten registration day May 22nd - We are going to set up a table and serve refreshments and snacks for incoming parents and Kindergarteners

Exec VP- Grants have all been awarded and we are awaiting a few evaluations.

Treasurer: Budget Updates - The Summer Camp fair has brought in more revenue then we anticipated and taxes are done.

Publicity: Updates/Deadlines - Sean is unable to be here today, but we are working on getting the publicity together for recruitment and for the Summer Camp Fair, which we will be a fundraiser for us, therefore we need to get to people there to keep it going for years to come.

Membership - Two sign ups last month plus the donation brings us up to \$9210.

Volunteer Chair: Recruitment Ideas

Curriculum Enrichment: Updates - Shakespeare and Native American programs were a huge success.

Events: Survey for Safe Routes to School, need 50% response rate from parents in order to get the money. Only concern is they want parents to fill out a survey for each child.

Fundraising: Summer Camp Fair, Carlisle eCommunity Next Steps, Husky Apparel, School Supply Kits - Spring checklist to let everyone know when things are up and coming.

New Business

Family Five Volunteer Initiative

Spring Community-wide Initiative: Catie's Closet – Middle School Help?

Bike Rodeo – Updates - Need to pick a date still that will work for most. Looking at May or June and need to do a weekend, as that is best for the Police Department.

Adjourn

Amy Caggiano made a motion to adjourn.

Carrie Patel seconded the motion.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:31 am.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 4 at 9:00 am in the Community Room