

## PTA Meeting Minutes 3/11/19

### In attendance

Leslie Darling (president)  
Reggie Ross (vice president)  
Stephanie Volmer (secretary)  
Nahed Andraos  
Jen Duggan  
Lynnsley Jameson  
Corinne Lindquist  
Eileen Molloy  
Kelli Schwerdt  
Jen Spreen  
Wanda Quiñones  
Lee Weaver

### REMINDERS

- \* Babysitting will be available during PTA meetings.
- \* Minutes will be posted on the PTA page of the school website.
- \* The next PTA Meeting will be **Tuesday 4/9** at 7:00 p.m. in the LPS library. Please note there will be a Spanish-language meeting beforehand at 6:30 p.m..
- \* Don't forget to take advantage of passive fundraisers (Giant, Amazon Smile, box tops, and Mabel's Labels).
- \* Special fundraising opportunity running with **Roxey Ballet**. Raise money for the school while supporting the arts in our community! Buy tickets to the Roxey's production of *Cinderella*, use code **LPS19** at checkout, and the PTA receives 20% of all profits! Go to <https://www.roxyballet.org/cinderella> to order.

### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The PTA is looking for volunteers for some new committees:

- \* Lunch/Health/Nutrition Committee
- \* Artsonia Committee
- \* Earth Day Committee
- \* Nomination Committee

Keep an eye out for how to join, if you are interested.

The meeting began with three mindfulness exercises (smile and shake; beach-ball breathing; pass the coin).

Mary Anne Borge from Lambertville Goes Wild and <http://www.the-natural-web.org> introduced herself. She will be working with Mrs. Gardiner and the PTA on Earth Day events. She proposes planting the tree between playground and Ely Creek. 6<sup>th</sup> graders will research 6 trees and decide which one to use. Rec commission will get approval. Mrs. Gardiner will work with the Rec Commission.

## Old Business:

Art Club: Mrs. Marley will be working with older students to paint motivational quotes on bathroom walls and near water fountains. We are currently waiting to hear from custodial staff about clearance for mural. Stay tuned.

Teacher support: The PTA is happy to announce that we have provided a great new reading resource to teachers--*Game Changer! Book Access for All Kids*. We want to celebrate teachers and their hard work by providing them with a light lunch during their Book Talks. The first one was Friday 2/22 from 12 to 1. The next one will be on April 5.

2018-2019 PTA Theme: *Mind \* Body \* Planet*: This broad theme incorporates many of the themes and projects of the school--mindfulness, the new school garden, a focus on nutrition, a reuse/recycle approach to the school--and we would like to have it dovetail with the PTA's focus for the remainder of the school year.

Yearbook: Pictures needed! Send to [LPSPTA2@gmail.com](mailto:LPSPTA2@gmail.com) or to Jen Duggan directly.

## New Business

A. Leslie proposed booking *Artmobile* for next year. <http://www.bucks.edu/culture/artmobile/> The theme will be "Marvelous Machines." Estimated cost for week: \$1200.00. The idea is under discussion and will be voted on at a future meeting.

B. Elections for the PTA board will be in June. All officers will be up for election. According to bylaws, we need to create a nominating committee in April, to recognize and recruit the most qualified people available for elected PTA positions. Three volunteers needed. Nomination forms, approved by committee, must be submitted by May 1. **Remember: If you want to vote, be sure you are a member in good standing by April 10<sup>th</sup>.** Voting will take place at June 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

## Financial Report

Audit Committee, appointed by President, to review the annual NJPTA audit in August.

The current balance as of meeting date is \$13, 022.20. Profits from Spirit Store (\$233), Bake Sale/Valentine's Dance (\$877.50, to be split with rising 6<sup>th</sup> grade class), AmazonSmile (\$43.28), Roxey Ballet *Nutcracker* fundraiser (\$174).

Approvals:

\$200--T-shirts for Science Olympiad--approved

\$200--DJ for Valentine's Dance--approved

\$120--balloons and ribbons for Random Acts of Kindness Week--approved

Discussed:

\$450.00--tree planting during Earth Day celebration, with plaque for Mrs. Nocar

## 6<sup>th</sup> grade Washington D.C. trip Report from Jacqui Sornstein:

Balance as of meeting date is \$15, 746.65. The LAEF grant for an evening tour of Arlington Cemetery as been received by LAEF. The 6<sup>th</sup> grade as been approved for a tour of the Capitol! Jacqui is working on a 6<sup>th</sup>-grade fundraising manual. Thank you, Jacqui!

### Upcoming Events

March 1<sup>st</sup>: Math-a-Thon kick off date. This event will run for 4 weeks and run by Ms. Cuozzi.

March 13-14: Kindergarten registration

March 18: School Board Meeting

April 9: PTA meeting, 7:00

April 17: Earth Day events (tree planting, Plastic Challenge, trash pick-up, bottle-cap mural, Lambertville Goes Wild, and more). Looking for volunteers (2 during school day, 3 for after school Green Fair, 5 for cook-out).

3:10 to 4:10 pm – Green Fair

5:30 to 7:00pm – Green Fair Family Cook-Out with music (Mr. Angst)

May 3: Taco night coming

May 18-19: *Cinderella* by Roxey ballet.

May 22: Talent Show (interested students in grades 2-6, sign-ups complete)

May 24: Walk-a-Thon date (3rd grade event) Target date for announcement April 15<sup>th</sup>, before spring break. There will be a PTA fundraiser with **Rojo coffee** the morning of the Walk-a-thon.

May 29: Spring Choral Concert, 7:00

May 30: Spring Instrumental Concert, 7:00

June 7: Field Day (Harry Potter theme, Kelly Peck has volunteered to design T-shirt. Thanks, Kelly!)