

Lyon/Pleasant Ridge PTA Minutes
General PTA Business Meeting
March 17, 2015
9:15 am LY LRC

TIME **AGENDA**

Attendance: Alison Sipe, Brandy Isaac, Maggie Rogula, Frank Rottman, Kevin Dorken, Karen Posey, Tracy Reeder, Natalie Stanzi, Karen Hitzeman, Andie Harrigan, Marianne Albovias, Halleh Akbarnia, Sharon Pratt, Julia Marquardt, Alexandra Lipscomb, Kathy Lawler

9:15 am Call Meeting to Order Alison Sipe
Approval of the Minutes Maggie Rogula

Motion to Approve - Sharon Pratt
Second - Julia Marquardt

9:20 am Officer’s Reports
President Alison Sipe

Thank You - to everyone for making her job easy and pleasant. Big month with Benefit, Grants. Big thank you to Dina Agarwal and Kim Yagelski for putting benefit together and to their committee. Thank you to Karen Friedman for PTA grants; Kindergarten Registration - thank you to all who helped. Thank to Shelley Reisenbigler and Rosanna Peterson for Empty Bowls

PTA Council - Dr. Nicholson gave a PARCC overview;
GEF update - Trivia Night and Dancing with the Stars were huge successes

Don Owen - Deputy Village Manager discussed housing choice voucher system - is not impacting schools

2015-16 PTA Registration - PTA registration is open for next year. Online registration was very successful last year. Can now register for 2015-2016 school year. People can still register for this year, but can't do it online.

Vice President Brandy Isaac

2015-16 Slate - Thank everyone for offering to be in leadership roles in PTA for next year. Two spots still open for next year - Benefit chair and Lyon Cultural Enrichment Liason

Empty Bowls - Shelley Reisenbigler and Roseanna Peterson - helped make the night happen with Mary Tapia. Sold out the event. 400 diners. Collected over 700 items of food for Food Pantry; Raised over \$4,000. All food was donated. Can still purchase bowls and CDs for \$5.00. Lots of volunteers helped make the night happen

Board of Ed Candidate/Election Information -

Candidate forum was held on Sunday by League of Women Voters. Seven candidates came before caucus. Committee slates 4 candidates to support. A 5th person is running on the ballot. There is early voting - starts March 23 at Village Hall. BOE slated candidates are first 4 on ballot. top4d34.org

Treasurer Report **Anne Burke, Sharon Pratt**

Distributed and discussed budget

Benefit - not final - credit cards are still processing - approx. \$10,000

- Benefit income as of now is \$62,000

- expenses down this year compared to other years

Will net around \$45,000

Additional expenses coming in - 5th Grade Picnic, grants, cultural enrichment, literature night at PR

- Will end the year negative as planned

9:30 am Molly Anderson, District 34 Assessment Teacher on Assignment

PARCC Assessment - Presentation on PARCC

10:00 am Committee Chair Reports

Jump Rope For Heart **Colleen MacKimm**

Didn't raise as much \$ as in the past - \$52,000 (last year \$65,000)

Some concerns/questions as to why

Thank you all volunteers

Spirit Wear **Gillian Murphy, Laura Smith**

Spring Spirit wear order is underway. Orders due this Friday. Will be distributed mid-April. New car magnets are available for \$5.00

Student Needs Parent Liaison **Karen Hitzeman, Natalie Jachtowycz**

March 18 - next support group at Glenview Youth Services; Ann Jenke is the new Lyon liaison. Things going well. Coffee coming up at PR March 24 for parents of kids in special needs classrooms.

New slogan - Every Day is Red Day. Ms. Astorino has been very helpful at PR making a banner what will be hung and visible in the school; having a Lyon/PR Luau on May 29 – to help 2nd graders transition

Benefit **Dina Agarwal, Kim Yagelski**
It was great, thanks for coming to support it.

Dad's Group Liaison **Alec Knight**
Next event is Dad's Breakfast - April 10, 7:15 a.m.

Teacher Appreciation **Dana Palmer, Shari Isaacs**
Starting to plan for week at end of April 20-24. Will be looking for volunteers to help. Planning to do individual lunch orders for staff

Environmental Team **Jamie Stevens, Gail Weiss, Laura Lentz**
Earth Day is next month; TREXX bags - Lyon - 26 1/2 -; PR - 52
Earth Week - can bring in an eco-friendly car; will teach about composting; bike to school 4/24

Fifth Grade Picnic **Tarpey O'Rourke, Tammy Lundal**
Committees are finalized - "PR Palooza"; t-shirt orders will go out after Spring Break; Picnic on June 5; Mrs. Weale is teacher contact

School Supplies **Marianne Albiovas, Shannon Marval**
Distributed ordering info at Kindergarten registration. Are finalizing remaining grades; Order April 1 - May 8

Spring Book Fair **Shane Bill, Natalie Stanzi**
May 20 & 21; set-up Tuesday before. Dan Gutman will be featured author. Working with Literature Alive committee; will

have a pre-order of Dan Gutman books; pre-order will come out after Spring Break

Literature Alive **Laura Jenny, Kathy Lawler**
Celebrates all things literary; teachers do read-alouds of Dan Gutman books; Dan Gutman comes to spend all day with the kids; Poetry Cafe - 5/21

10:35 am **Principals' Report** Kevin Dorken, Frank Rottman

Kevin Dorken - Empty Bowls - top of events ever done at Lyon. Great community event.

Last week - storytelling assembly for first graders. This week will be a dance assembly for K-2.

Second grade program is in progress.
RED Day - Rojo, the Lion is making his way around the classrooms

Frank Rottman - Thank for all of the grants. Having a great impact

11:00 am **Meeting Adjourned** Alison Sipe 11:15

Calendar Overview

- *Apr 1-May 8 Order School Supplies
- *Apr 7 LY/PR Lice Checks
- *Apr 10 Take Your Dad to Breakfast, 7:15 am, PR
- *Apr 21 **Evening PTA meeting, 7:00 pm, LY LRC**
- *Apr 20-24 Earth Week (Walk/Bike to School 4/24)
- *Apr 20-24 Staff Appreciation Week