

**DELANCO PTO
MINUTES OF MAY 9, 2016 MEETING**

7:33 p.m. meeting was called to order by Ruth Esposito. There were 10 members in attendance.

Secretary's Report: Secretary Jaime Nucifora presented the April Meeting Minutes for circulation to the members. Minutes are also available on DelancoPTO.org under "News". The attendance sheet was also circulated

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Tracey Hamlin presented the Treasurer's report for circulation to the members. The balance as of today is \$11,987.27.

OLD BUSINESS

Yearbook: Thank you Suzanne Iwanicki and everyone who submitted photos. Yearbooks are \$17. Orders are due by this Friday, 5/13.

Trenton Thunder: 106 tickets sold, we raised \$291. Everyone had a great time.

Chickfila Spirit Night: K-L and 3-S tied for the Dunkin Donuts munchkin parties. We raised \$316.48.

Happy Mother's Day Dance: Chairperson Shane Lilliston. The dance was a great event. We may put table roll under the craft tables next year, but otherwise everything went really well. Limbo was a hit, it was a great success. Pat was a great DJ. We sold 160 tickets, and we were under budget.

NEW BUSINESS

Kona Ice Truck: We ordered the Kona Truck for Pearson Field Day 6/3, 9:45-11:15am and WSS Green & White Week 6/10, 12:30

Field Day, Pearson: Friday, 6/3. Juice boxes and snack for the end of the day. Room reps to help with snack time in All Purpose Room. Kona will be there for scheduled snack time, and they will have their other snack & juice in the classrooms. Rain date may be 6/7, but Mr. Mersinger will confirm that.

Runners Club 3K: Monday, 6/13, 1pm. The PTO will purchase the T-shirts. Middle schoolers are also invited. Frank Messenger of South Jersey Race Timing will be here again this year. All students come out to line up along the driveway and cheer on the runners, and the WSS students are along the river to cheer the runners. Rain date is 6/14.

PTO Luncheon: Wed, 6/15, 1pm. Pizzas for kids in conference room with middle school babysitters. Ruth will send a sign up genius to sign up for dishes and how many adults & children. PTO provides hot roast beef and hoagies, and others bring appetizers and desserts.

2016-2017 Tentative PTO Calendar: Ruth has a tentative calendar for next year on the back of the agenda. We may add a Valentine's Dance for the dads, who felt left out from the Mother's Day dance. We submit our next year's event calendar to PRIDE to be approved in order to be reimbursed for events. Ruth is looking for someone to take over the Bingo Nights because her youngest will be out of Pearson next school year.

PTO Elections Next Year: Please let anyone on the PTO Board know if you are interested. We will need new Board members because 3 of the 4 current board members will not be running for any of the positions.

Other: Kindergarten through second 100 book challenges. The books are not in great shape, and there is not a lot of variety. Mr. Mersinger will look into it, and they are hiring a new person to head up this program, among others, to replace Mrs. Gilch. There are thank you cards from teachers, and some from classroom parties.

Pearson will be getting a new digital sign which will be \$13,225 including installation, and WSS is getting a new board sign. The digital sign will be wireless, so it can be changed from a computer.

Ruth is also looking for someone to take over the Spiritwear. Taking the orders, having all the spiritwear shipped to your house over Thanksgiving, and then filling all the orders, pulling all the sizes, etc. Tie dye has been requested.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Mersinger: Thanks to the PTO for parties, sign donations, events, etc. We'll have a Twitter feed in July, and a Facebook page coming up. April was eventful, conferences, drama club play, and PARCC, which was much better this year than last year. The baseball team was undefeated until today's loss. The Hello Goodbye dance is this Friday, with the 5th graders invited. 4th and 8th graders are doing NJ ASK Science coming up. Memorial Day will be a 5 day weekend. Read our newsletter. The website is new, and events are scrolling.

Mr. Conti: Thanks to the PTO. Mr. Mersinger & Conti were in interviews all day today, and received many compliments of the PTO and involvement of the parents and community. The next month is very busy. The PARCC testing went really well, everyone was flexible switching schedules. Mrs. Donnelly did a great job. The STEPP Invention Convention will be tomorrow for the students and Thursday night 7-8pm for the parents. Mrs. Deaner and her brother in law Mr. Hedgie did great with the kids. Everything is so creative. There is a great variety of inventions.

Two 5th graders came to the BOE meeting to discuss their experiment. Lots of class trips. Kindergarten Mother's Day tea last week went really well. Wednesday is National School Nurses Day, and will be celebrating Holly Smith, the Pearson Nurse.

Honor Roll event will be a special breakfast at school. Denise Cotton and Brenda Thomas are making the plans, and the event will be in June.

Delanco Library: Flyers are available. Chair yoga is coming up and donating the proceeds to the Love Orphanage. Katherina will be doing the summer reading program beginning 6/20. The PTO is sponsoring the 7/11 at 11am Steve Woyce program in the gym. The summer school and summer program are invited.

Upcoming Events:

- 5/12 STEPP Invention Convention**
- 6/3 Pearson Field Day**
- 6/9 5th Grade DARE Graduation & Picnic**
- 6/10 Last Day Green & White Week WSS**
- 6/13 Delanco 3K (Rain date 6/14)**
- 6/15 PTO Luncheon**
- 6/15 8th Grade Graduation**
- 6/16 Last day of school! 8th Grade Breakfast**

The PTO Luncheon will be June 15th at 1pm. The first PTO Meeting for the 2016-2017 school year will be September 12, 2016 at 7:30pm in the Pearson All Purpose Room.

A motion to approve the Treasurer's & Secretary's reports was made by Kristin Atkinson and second by Wendy Flanigan.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Tracey Hamlin and second by Tara Chernay.

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