

**DELANCO PTO
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 2, 2017 MEETING**

The meeting was called to order by President Cathryn Plum at 7:41 p.m.. There were 25 members in attendance.

Secretary's Report: Secretary Wendy Flanigan presented the September Meeting Minutes for circulation to the members. Minutes are also available on DelancoPTO.org under "News". The attendance and contact sheets were also circulated, and sign-up sheets for various events are on the front table.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Kristin Atkinson presented the Treasurer's report for circulation to the members. The balance as of today is \$5,689.91.

OLD BUSINESS

Save Around: Jennifer Deering. We've sold approximately 140 books so far, for a profit of \$1,737.50, there are still books out that need to either be returned or paid for.

PTO Membership: Congratulations to the winning classes – 5-Stockton, and 7G-Friedman!

Back to School Nights: Thank you: Sherry Layman, Tammy Hutchinson, Kristin Arnold, Dana Force, Kristin Atkinson, Wendy Flanigan & Cathryn Plum for manning the tables.

Scholastic Book Fair: Thank you to Tammy Hutchinson, Matt Bartlett, Charmaine Anderson, Linda Weih, Dana Force, Jennifer Deering, Brandi Mochernuk, Kristin Atkinson, Wendy Flanigan, & Cathryn Plum for volunteering.

Back to School Bingo/Sundae Night: Thank you: Jackie Balliet for chairing, Mr. Conti for calling the numbers, Jennifer Deering, Justine Gaunt, Tara Snow, Jennifer Russo, Courtney Angeline, Anthony Angeline, Alexis Bartlett, Brandi Mochernuk, Kristin Atkinson, Wendy Flanigan, & Cathryn Plum for helping. Tickets sold out. We raised \$558 minus expenses.

Summer Reading Prizes: Donated by Delanco PTO – Mrs. Noble. Some of the students had their prize parties already. They had a lot of fun. It is good to see the kids get excited about reading.

Garden Shed: Donated by the Delanco PTO. Approached by Casey Noble for help procuring a place for students to store their gardening tools.

NEW BUSINESS

- Fall Fundraiser:** with Gifts N Things chaired by Brandi Mochernuk – Fundraiser begins September 29th. All orders and money are due 10/13. Pick up will be Tuesday, 11/14 in the Pearson Gym Foyer, 3-4 and 5-7pm. Please sign up to help.
- Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night:** will be this Wednesday, October 4th, 5-8pm. Flyers were emailed today and will be sent home with students. 20% of sales come to us, or if sales are over \$1,500 we get 25%. We raise at least \$500 from this event.
- Community Day:** Our old Spiritwear items and ornaments will be available at Delanco Community Day, Saturday, 10/14, 11am-3pm at the firehouse. There will be big discounts, although sizes are limited at this point. Sign up for volunteers at front table. 8th graders will also have a table selling candies, baked goods, and candles.
- Fall Skating:** will be Sunday, 10/15, 5:15-7:15pm at Holiday. Face painters will be there. It is \$5 per person, which includes entry, pizza, and drink, and an additional \$3 for skates. The PTO will pay for walkers.
- Box Tops:** Kristin Atkinson. Flyers have gone home and are due back by 10/20. They are also available on our website. Need to be mailed in by November 1st. Rebecca Taylor is overseeing our website and will post the Box Top forms soon.
- Delanco 5K:** Wendy Flanigan is the contact person. Race is Saturday, 10/21, 9 a.m. sponsored by the Delanco Women’s Civic Club. The DWCC supports the PTO, so we like to support them. There is a Facebook page for “Delanco Women’s Civic Club”. The registration forms are also on the Residents of Delanco Facebook page or Wendy Flanigan can be contacted for one. Students can enter for \$5 and a canned good for the food bank. The PTO will also donate spiritwear for a basket for the raffle at the end of the race. Blackboard blast went home.
- Halloween:** Mr. Mersinger. This will run very similar to last year, and flyers will come home soon with details and times for the parade and parties. It is a half day for both schools. Parade starts about 11:50. Room parents come in at 11:30 to set up. Party after parade. No violent props/weapons. No pets allowed on school property.
- Holiday Auction:** Wendy Flanigan & Cathryn Plum. We need donations from local businesses and PTO member donations. This is our largest fundraiser of the year. Last year we brought in about \$10,000. The Auction will be December 1, 6:00pm. The 350 tickets sell out fast, get your order forms in quickly. Each grade has a theme to donate, and the PTO donates items to make baskets. Cathryn sent

around sign-up sheets for donations and for contacting local businesses for donations, in addition to the sign-up sheets to help with the basket assembly, snack bag assembly, and selling tickets during the auction. 11/28, 6pm basket assembly. 11/30, 1:30pm snack bag assembly. 12/1, 9am auction set up. And 12/1, 5:30pm, about 22 people for the event.

Little Shoppers/Breakfast with Santa: Saturday, 12/9. Shoppers Thurs & Fri, 12/7-8 during school. Friday night set up. We need someone to chair this event. Volunteers are also needed to help the children shop during school. Will ask for volunteers at next meeting.

Yearbook 2017-2018: Suzanne Iwanicki will be asking administrators to help with posting pictures they take throughout the day. If they need pictures to fill in the gaps, she will reach out to PTO members. If you take any pictures at events, please use a regular camera, because pictures taken with cell phones tend to be fuzzy and not high quality.

National Custodial Staff Week: PTO honored our great custodial staff with \$20 Wawa gift cards to thank them for all of the hard work they do for our schools.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Mersinger: We've had a great start to the school year. The next BOE meeting is Oct. 11th, come out to the meeting to see what is happening. Ladies Dragons Field Hockey is trying very hard. Appreciate what they are doing. 425 visitors for back to school night. Great turnout. BCIT visited WSS to talk to 8th graders. Riverside comes out too. Garden Kickoff Club prep Rally with NJ Agriculture Society. Students and staff had fun. Buzz about the garden. Conti said BTS Bingo was great, loved coming out and helping to call the numbers. WSS Dance was a lot of fun. Newsletter came home in email with upcoming events. Reminders went out about Wish List items. Teachers are very appreciative.

Delanco Library: DelancoLibrary.org, and they're on Facebook and Twitter. Check out upcoming events such as International Game Week.

Upcoming Events:

Fall Fundraiser	Fri., Sept. 29 - Fri., Oct. 13
Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night – Delran location	Wed., Oct. 4 at 5pm- 8 pm
Delanco Community Day at Firehouse	Sat., Oct. 14 at 11am - 3pm
Skating Party – Holiday Skating Rink	Sun., Oct. 15 at 5:15 pm-7:15 pm
PTO Meeting - Pearson All Purpose Room	Mon., Nov. 13 at 7:30 pm

The next PTO Meeting will be Monday, November 13, 2017 at 7:30pm in the Pearson Conference Room.

A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Sherry Layman and seconded by Deja Trucksess. A motion to approve the Secretary's report was made by Jaime Wisniewski and seconded by Jackie Balliet.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Deja Trucksess and seconded by Jackie Balliet. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

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