

**DELANCO PTO
MINUTES OF MARCH 13, 2017 MEETING**

7:30 p.m. meeting was called to order by president Ruth Esposito. There were 11 members in attendance.

Secretary's Report: Secretary Jaime Nucifora presented the February 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 February and March Treasurer's reports for circulation to the members. The balance as of today is \$7,539.25. We have paid for Mixed Bags (not Gertrude Hawk) and most class trips.

OLD BUSINESS

Yearbook: Suzanne Iwanicki: Go to www.community.lifetouch.com, use code OXBWPU to upload pictures for the yearbook. **LAST REMINDER:** Please upload all your class party and event pictures by March 31st. Yearbooks will be \$17 each.

Chick-fil-a Spirit Night: for March sales totaled \$1,915 and the PTO earned \$479. There were 7 classes with over 50% participation. K-McCann won a munchkins party. Our next Chick-fil-a night is Wednesday, April 26th.

Box Tops: Kristin Atkinson. We earned \$451. 5-Stockton and 8G-Malinowski won soft pretzel parties. There were some classes at WSS from whom Kristin did not receive any Box Tops, including 8-W.

Spring Fundraiser: Liz Rottinger. Pick up is Tuesday, March 28th in the Pearson Gym Lobby from 3:00 to 4:00 and 5:00 to 7:00. We need volunteers to hand out the orders. Our profit was \$3,300.

Bingo: Traci Granate. Thank you to Mr. Conti and all volunteers. There were 153 attendees.

Books v. Badges Basketball Game: Tracy Easton. It was a huge success! NBC 10 News was there. We had 2 winners of the half court shot. The profit was \$2,400, compared to \$1,545 last year. We had more local sponsors, we made \$166 from the basket auction, and increased the ticket price to \$5 each, which included a rally towel. Last year the tickets were \$3 each and the rally towels were sold for \$1 each, but there were a lot of towels left over.

PTO Nominating Committee: Liz Rottinger, Sherry Layman, Ruth Esposito. The committee has received 3 letters of intent, and a fourth person who orally expressed interest but has not submitted it in writing yet. The nominees will be announced at the April meeting and elections will be held in May.

Amazon Smile: Tracey Hamlin received a letter about setting up a fundraising account through Amazon Smile for the Delanco PTO. All orders would have to be made through the Amazon Smile website as opposed to the regular Amazon site, and would have

to be linked to the Delanco PTO. One of the new officers can look into how to open the fundraising account.

NEW BUSINESS

Skating Party: Sunday, March 19th, 5:30-7:30pm, Holiday Skating (note new time). The face painters are booked and there will be a coloring contest.

Trenton Thunder: Tuesday, April 18th. \$11/ticket includes kids eat free and students sing Take Me Out to the Ballgame during the 7th inning stretch. This event is during our Spring Break this year. DYSA is also hosting a Trenton Thunder event on May 30th and those players will sing the National Anthem before the game.

Happy Mother's Day Dance: Shane Lilliston. Friday, May 12th, 7:00-8:30pm. We need volunteers to set up at 6:00pm and clean up after. Shane is considering a luau theme. There will be pretzels, fruit, cupcakes, music by DJ Pat O'Malley, photographs by Cory, and a craft.

Other: The Spring Concert is Thursday, May 11th.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Mersinger: The Walnut Street Theater did an anti-bullying assembly at both schools. The Jazz Band attended the Jazz Festival. There was a middle school Valentine's dance. BCIT tested 22 students for entry into high school. The RHS Future Educators of America have spent some time with the Delanco teachers and faculty. Dragon Day was held on the 10th in honor of the Books v. Badges game and each participant at WSS received a free snack pass. There will be a Science Night at WSS on 3/22 and you must sign up to attend. There will be a letter on the PARCC testing coming home soon.

Mr. Conti: The Books v. Badges game was a huge success, and the entire district was represented at the game. They are currently working out the PARCC testing schedule. Mrs. Crozier did a great job with Read Across America, including creative dress-up days. Mr. M had a great turnout for Jump Rope for Heart. The talent show is Friday, 3/24, with a mandatory practice after school on Thursday, 3/23. The first grade had their aquarium trip. It went very well, and the aquarium was not crowded. Kindergarten registration will be held on April 7th and will require some PTO volunteers.

Delanco Library: Thursday there will be a spring wreath event for ages 12+. I Sewed at the Library will be held on 3/18 for ages 12+ and they will be sewing a purse. Check Twitter and Facebook for events.

Other: Green & White week for WSS may be held June 5th to 8th (June 9th is the 8th grade class trip). Once confirmed, Ruth will reserve the Kona ice truck. Pearson Field Day is June 2nd, along with the 8th grade dance that evening.

Upcoming Events:

- 3/19 Skating Party 5:30-7:30pm, Holiday Skating (\$5/ticket) NEW TIME**
- 3/28 Spring Fundraiser Pick Up, Pearson Gym Lobby 3:00-4:00 & 5:00-7:00pm**
- 4/18 Trenton Thunder (\$11/ticket)**
- 4/26 Chick-fil-a Spirit Night, Delran Location, 5:00-8:00pm**

The next PTO Meeting will be Monday, April 10, 2017 at 7:30pm in the Pearson Conference Room.

A motion to approve the Treasurer's & Secretary's reports was made by Cathryn Plum and second by Liz Rottinger.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Kristin Atkinson and second by Tracey Hamlin.

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