

Portage Lake Center PTO, Inc.

Portage Lake Center PTO Meeting
LCE Media Center
February 1, 2016



EXECUTIVE OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Julia Warner (President), Stephanie Norg (Vice President), Kristen Weaver (Secretary) and Tony Pallo (Treasurer).

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Stephanie Tangeman, Kris Taylor, Sarah Overholt, Kellie Schnell, Stacie Sokolowski, Lora Darrah, Kim Evans, Maggie Piotter, Toyin Daranijoh

TEACHER REPRESENTATIVE(S): Kelly Jensenius, Marci Mungovan, Ashley Palmer Vance

OFFICERS, BOARD MEMBERS, TEACHER REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT: Kera Simpson, Robin Brendlinger, Rachel Bryant, Nicole Gutshall, Melissa Nicola, Meghan Pavlovski

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Julia Warner

MINUTES: The Minutes for the January PTO Meeting were reviewed. Lora Darrah motioned to accept the Minutes as written. Stephanie Tangeman seconded the motion. The motion passed without objection.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Tony Pallo provided the report which includes the new budget. There is a variance of zero at this time. Bank balance is \$33,527.34. The real balance is \$32,441.40 due to checks that have not cleared. Stephanie Tangeman motioned to accept the report and Kellie Schnell seconded.

School News – Kelly Jensenius

Dibels and Star Math had great results. Mrs. Jensenius says she is super proud of staff.

K3 reading initiative through the State of Michigan grant received by schools and each elementary school is getting a new parapro. This grant focuses on reading. This grant is for one year.

Parent meeting for kindergarten is March 3rd.

Time for Kids – If 30 families order the school receives \$200 in Time for Kids cash.

District Advisory Council and Curriculum Instruction Council reports are available on the Portage Public website.

Teacher requests: We received a very nice Thank You note for Mrs. Dally (and staff) for the roll paper cart.

NEW BUSINESS

- Bookbug Book Fair – Feb 2/16 & 2/18. Volunteers are needed.
- Executive Board Nominations – due 2/26 and turn into Marci Mungovan and please include email address and/or phone number.
- Mother/Son Event – March 18th – Kristen Weaver – Patriotic theme this year. Planning is full effect.
- Child Care – The girls we have run track and the season has started. Stacie said her daughter, Sherry, will do it and will ask her friends.

- Let Me Run – Kris Taylor – This is a new running program for boys, 4th and 5th grade. Still gathering information and interest. Very similar to Girls on the Run.

OLD BUSINESS

- Movie Night – Everything went well and had great volunteers. Next movie night is 3/11 but no movie as of yet chosen.
- Family Fun Nights – Light turn outs (Ski Club). Maybe a change of night would heed a better turnout.
- Box Tops – 2/1-2/5 – A note to be put in the Monday Memo to explain how to specifically send in Box Tops.
- Father/Daughter dance – 2/6- 6-8pm/set up 2/5 – Maggie has everything ready to go and is very excited! Also, having conversations with other schools about sharing decorations.
- Battle of the Books – 2/8(9th for snow day) – 6-7:30pm – Grand Battle is Feb 22 at Amberly Elementary – Medals are picked up and Tonya and Kristen are ready to go.
- Teacher conference dinners – 2/16 & 2/18 – Sarah is ready to go.
- Newsletter and Website – deadline to submit is February 19th
- Thank you web page – send information to Tony and/or Stephanie Norg. We want to make sure we are thanking area businesses that are supporting our school.

Announcements:

PCMS Wrestling boosters need volunteers for tournament February 13th – contact Jane Larson(jelarson@ppps.org) or Deb Stewart(debs714@hotmail.com)

Next regular PTO – March 14, 2016

Upcoming events: 2/3 – 5th grade parent night at all middle schools 7pm; 2/5 – Father/Daughter Dance decorate; 2/6 – Father/Daughter Dance; 2/8 – Battle of the Books; 2/16 & 2/18 – Teacher Conferences and Book Fair; 2/19 – Student Council Spirit Day – Slippers; 2/22 – BOB Grand Battle; 2/25 – Jungle Joe's; 2/26 & 2/29 – NO SCHOOL; 3/3 new Kindergarten Parent Meeting 6:30-7:30; 3/11 Student Council Spirit Day & Movie Night

Newsletter deadline – February 19th

***Website: lcepto.weebly.com**

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The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Kristen Weaver, Secretary

2015-2016 Executive Board: President – Julia Warner, Vice President – Stephanie Norg, Secretary – Kristen Weaver, Treasurer – Tony Pallo
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