

AHMS PTA, GENERAL MEETING NOTES, 02/05/20

ATTENDANCE: Julia Papellas, Jen Knott, Melissa Riviere, Jenn Bachan-Breiten, Jenn Herold, Sherry Boykin, Karen Cahn, Gail Smeraldi, Melanie Brock, Julie Venesky, Kathy Geve, Colleen Leonard

Meeting called to order by Julia Papellas at 6:32pm.

SECRETARY REPORT: Melissa Riviere

January 2020 Meeting Minutes submitted for approval. A motion to amend by Jennifer Bachan-Breiten. Gail Smeraldi made motion to accept the minutes. Motion seconded by Jenn Herold. **Upcoming Calendar** presented for review. **Meeting Agenda** presented for review. **Call for Executive Board member nominations, Committee Chairpersons & Volunteers** for this year, and for the upcoming 2020-2021 school year presented for review.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Julia Papellas

Friday Night Movie: The Jan. 10th Friday Night Movie had 30 student attendees, and 3 PTA member Volunteers: **Julia Papellas, Melissa Riviere, Jenn Herold.** The night's concessions made \$133.25. This year's overall Friday Movie Night budget is -\$101.13.

With sizable monies still pegged from this year's already low budget, the PTA will not be renewing the \$586/year **Swank Public Performance Site (Movie) License** on February 14, 2020. On Fri, Jan 24, 2020, 11:19am, the PTA emailed the renewal option to Principal Leonard. It is now up to the Principal Leonard's discretion to renew this License, which covers AHMS for all movies shown on premise. A new PTA Executive Board has the option to create a budget line item for this expense.

Winter Soirée: The event more than **doubled last year total profit**, making **\$6,500** for the PTA. Our goal was \$5,000. Recognition of the Event's Chairs: **Julia Papellas, Candace McColligan, Melissa Riviere.** Need for more volunteers if the event is to continue to be this successful.

Family Fun Night: Principal Leonard confirmed the event date of **Friday, March 13th.** 8th grade will host concessions. The PTA can rent 2 obstacle-course bounce houses for under \$500. It will be an Olympic/Team themed event focused on having the children moving. **We need volunteers for FFN.**

Nominating Committee: **Karen Cahn** has volunteered. **Two more** volunteers are needed. **April 1st** is the election for *Executive Board* members. Calling to former *South Abington, Newton Ransom & Clarks Summit PTA members* to volunteer/nominate/participate.

BoxTops: March 1st is the submission deadline. Send yours in by **February 24th.** The *BoxTops* drop-box is in the AHMS library.

Staff Appreciation Brunch: Week of May 4th. Principal Leonard **tentatively agreed to Wednesday, May 6th.** (Membership suggestion of cake included for Principal Leonard's birthday on May 5th.) **Gail Smeraldi & Kathi Casper** volunteered to Chair the Event. Staff hours span morning only (until 11am) to afternoon only. Lunches start at 10:30. Brunch is ideal. *Grab & Go* in the early morn. Gail will coordinate what is needed.

STEAM Fair: Principal Leonard confirmed date of **Wednesday, May 13th, 6pm** lasting for 2 hours. *Reflections* Projects will be displayed and awards presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jennifer Knott
Beginning Balance 1/1/20: \$27,619.43
Ending Balance 1/31/20: \$32,700.88
Withdrawals: \$4,820.39
Deposits: \$9,901.84

2019-2020 Year to Date Profits—
Winter Soirée: \$6,473.22
Kalahari: \$1,663.99
Apparel: \$1,606.71
8th Grade Concessions: \$823.76
PTA: \$578.73
BoxTops: \$313.10
Friday Night Movie: -\$101.13
Esript: \$1,449.54

Hersheypark Tickets: On sale now on the website. Selling for \$42.50. At the park cost: \$74.80. Orders are due by **March 9th.** Flyers to go home on Tuesday, 2/11.

Request made of Principal Leonard to have PTA flyers sent home. Teachers should not have an option of sending flyers home. Request students are directed to put the flyers "**in their backpacks**" not their cubbies. Addressed *Winter Soirée* flyer distributed by show of hands. Teacher, "Who's parents might want to go to this?" (*5 handed out.*) Principal Leonard agreed to address issue with the teachers.

Texas Roadhouse "Comet Nation" Dine-In Night: Tuesday, March 10th, Dickson City. PTA receives 10% of the total value of dine-in sales. A **bring-along flyer** will be posted online & sent home.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: Colleen Leonard
Report cards going home 2/6. School café project almost complete. **Lion King** musical practicing daily, performances on April 3rd & 4th.

8TH GRADE REPORT: VP, Jennifer Bachan-Breiten
8th Grade Washington, D.C. Trip: 241 students on trip. Waiting on final financial request from Mr. Boylan for food vouchers (\$7 each) and PTA funded Student Aid. T-Shirts: **Gail Smeraldi** is communicating with Mr. Boylan re: final counts/designs for t-shirt orders (2 per student). Principal Leonard states that the Washington, D.C. trip is not guaranteed for future 8th grade classes—the overnight trip is not assured.

8th Grade Concession Stand at Family Fun Night. **Chair Needed.**

8th Grade Refreshment & Flower Stand April 3rd & 4th during the *Lion King* performances. **Julie Venesky & Kathy Geve volunteered to Chair both nights.** Proposed selling silk flowers rather than real. Refrigeration will be available. Sale of Chocolate flowers suggested.

8th Grade Formal/Dance is tentatively June 5th.

8th Grade Celebration is proposed for June 8th or the 9th.

8th Grade Class Day (8th Gr Graduation): June 11th (tentative). 2 reserved tickets and 2 non-reserved tickets for each student. (*Reported by Principal Leonard.*)

NEXT 8TH GRADE MEETING: Wednesday, March 11th, 6pm.

NEXT PTA MEETING DATE: Wednesday, March 11th, 6:30.

Motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Julia Papellas and seconded by Jennifer Bachan-Breiten at 7:15pm.