

General Membership Meeting on October 18, 2016

Call to order: Meeting was called to order at 10:06am by Jennifer Sampugnaro. Pledge.

President's Report: Welcome everyone and thank you all for coming. Please see either one of us if you haven't signed up for any committees yet. Pelican's Nest sign up is here on table. You can look and see when your child will be shopping and sign up. The classes go once a month. Bylaws have been out for 30 days and we need to amend them. Mari makes a motion that bylaws will stand as written. Jean Wyckoff seconds them. All in favor. None opposed. Nov. 9th is Parent University Workshop. Flyer is on table. Please send in all reports 3 days before each meeting.

Principal's Report: Good morning. LEADD week is next week and Mrs. Downing and Mrs. Romano have been putting everything together. Oct. 30th is LEADD walk so please come in costume. It's a great day for everyone. This Friday is the Family Literacy Hoedown. Kids will do crafts and read a book and then meet in gym for line dancing. It's a sign up event only from 6:30-8:30pm. Safety Town trips start next week for 3rd grade. October 27th is Kindergarten Pumpkin Patch. October 31st is Halloween Parade starting around 10am. Bring camera and chair. Afterwards, PTA does party for all grades in gym. Each grade has 45 minutes at a time with photo booth, games and snacks. November 4th we will have an Emergency Shelter Drill. Kids were great for last drill we had. Kids knew the new procedures and followed them. SEPTA will have a Family Fun Night on Monday the 24th at 7:30pm. The Parent University Workshop is great. The Envision 2.0 program is difficult and this workshop can help us to help our kids. They cover everything from lessons to bullying. Flyers are being passed around.

1st V.P.: Sign up folders

2nd V.P.: Membership is at 150. Please send in membership form and money. Our membership bulletin board is looking great with all of our beautiful hands. Executive Board members must pay dues. We will hang posters during Hoedown as a reminder to parents.

3rd V.P.: No report

4th V.P.: No report

Recording Secretary: Please look over minutes from September 27th meeting. Any corrections? Stand as written.

Treasurer: September 28, 2016- October 15, 2016- Opening balance \$ 20,797.80 Expenses \$ 2,771.53 Income \$650.50 Closing Checkbook Balance \$ 18,676.77.

Corresponding Secretary: No report

Council Delegates: No report

Standing Committees:

Cultural Arts: Tuesday, October 25th is "Hip Pickles."

Council Budget: No report

Elementary Curriculum: Envision 2.0 program is very difficult. Parents and kids complaining. Look into expanding foreign language into lower levels. Discussion on types of language.

Family Fun: Halloween party is in gym after parade (Oct. 31st) for all grades. You will be contacted if you sign up to help out.

Food Service: Thank you to Jill Pinner for signing up.

Hospitality: Thank you to Tricia Porcasi for setting up and cleaning up all food and beverages for us all.

Legislation & Advocacy: No report

Pelican Supply Store: We need volunteers.

SEPTA: Family Fun Night is on Monday, October 24th. Free for all members. Face painting, games, etc.

The Pelican: The Pelican Club continues and this year Ms. Tintle and one of our new CSR teachers, Kaitlyn Lombardo will be our Teacher Advisors for the group. We will be meeting soon to go over particulars and a flyer will go out soon for the students to join. Open to students in 3rd-5th grade but every Northside student will be able to make submissions.

*Our Magnet sale at Back to School Night was very successful as we made \$350.

Special Committees:

Bake Sale: Thank you to everyone who helped out. We made \$300.

Budget Committee: No report

Environmental Committee: No report

5th Grade Yearbook: Angela Rodrigues and Deirdre have contacted different companies. They decided Memory Book meets Northside's Class of 2017 needs and is the most competitively priced. Angela makes a motion to use Memory Book. Cheryl Denecke 2nds motion. All in favor. None opposed.

Giving Tree: No report

Holiday Boutique: Planning is underway. We are meeting with our vendor, Little Treasure, next week. Boutique will be held during the school day on Dec. 15th and Dec. 16th. Set up will take place in the evening on Dec. 14th. We are going to need many volunteers for those days so please sign up or contact us on our Facebook page Northside PTA (Levittown) Holiday & Spring Boutiques.

Honorary Life: No report

LEADD: Decorated trees with red ribbon. Working with Mrs. Downing. \$1500 was already spent. \$1000 left to spend.

Nominating Committee: No report

PARP: Danielle Maiorana volunteered to chair for this. We usually hold it in Feb. Pick your own theme. It's 2 weeks in the school and it's about getting kids to read. Prizes are won.

Pictures: Some pictures arrived this morning. November 16th is retake day. Company is great, no problems. All staff will get picture taken on retake day.

Product Labels/Box Tops: Cut out box tops and send in with child to give to teacher. We have a Box Top app for our school.

Reflections: Entries are due Nov. 1st. Literature and visual arts flyer were sent home. Free homework passes for all entries. Reflections are done nationally by the PTA. Take art and apply it to a certain theme. This year's theme is "What is Your Story?" Students can enter in as many categories as they want. There are 2 winners from every category from every age group. Fill our entry form with statement as to why they're entering.

Spirit Wear: Order forms will be sent home next week. Cheryl makes a motion to use Uniform Pros. Danielle Maiorana 2nds motion. All in favor. None opposed.

*Bling Wear: Krista would like to use Bling It! For our bling spirit wear company. They are 2 Plainedge moms that come highly recommended. Krista showed examples of different items. Krista makes a motion to use Bling It!. Jean Wyckoff 2nds motion. All in favor. None opposed.

Tribune: We need volunteers for this. The person at Tribune makes all copies so it's easy if anyone wants to sign up.

Old Business: no

New Business: no

Meeting adjourned at 10:59am.