

Lewisburg Elementary PSA Meeting Minutes

November 15, 2010

Those present: Erin Brown, Christina Carr, Katie Cavanagh, Dustin Dalton, Tera Fassero, Rebekah Hause, Carmen Henne-Ochoa, Tara Humphrey, Alison Mannello, James Marshall, Cindi Martin, Tara Michaels, Marcy Nolan, Sam Pearson, Ashley Pendleton, Martha Pilling, Debbie Rawson, Paula Reber, Maureen Starmack, Carmen Terry, Carol Waughen

The meeting was called to order at 7:07pm. The minutes from the October meeting were reviewed. Maureen Starmack motioned to accept the minutes and Carmen Terry seconded the motion.

Committee Reports:

Building Coordinators –

Kelly – Photo Day went well. Flowers will be purchased for the 1st grade music program on December 7. Theme ideas for Staff Appreciation Week are welcome.

Linntown – no report

Related Arts – no report

Newsletter – The deadline for submitting materials for the next newsletter is December 6. The opt-out option is proving to be successful.

Box Tops – The next deadline will be in February. 11,700 box tops were collected at Kelly this fall. We anticipate receiving \$1253.90 for these box tops. This does not represent any box tops from Linntown.

Campbell Soups (Labels for Education) – Mrs. Herb's class collected the most labels for the 1st marking period.

Cafeteria Help – no report

Fundraising – Spirit Wear deadline is Wednesday, November 17 as the order will be placed on Friday.

Dragon Dash is scheduled for February 11. There has been a change to the award process. This year the top three money raisers as well as sponsor collectors will earn a limo ride. There will be an honor roll for the top fundraisers also. Parents should complete the permission slip that will be included on the fundraising envelope if they would like their child to be eligible for the limo ride should he/she turn out to be a top fundraiser/sponsor getter.

Safe Schools Directory – Please direct any questions to Marcey Nolan. The hope is that the directory will be distributed in early December.

Treasurer's Report:

The change in funds from October to November is the result of Spirit Wear sales.

Principal Reports:

Linntown – Linntown has been partnering with Bucknell on various projects. The Management 101 class is working with the students on Treats for Troops, and they have already surpassed their goal of collecting 1000 items. There are also recycling awareness talks going on with Bucknell.

For American Education Awareness Week, the 5th graders are sharing stories with the 2nd graders and the 1st graders are coming to see the 4th grade eco columns.

This year's concerts will be at the high school on December 13th (4th grade) and 14th (5th grade).

Donations of gently used winter coats are welcome at Linntown.

Kelly – The 1st grade music program will be held on December 7.

Professional storyteller Rand Whipple will be visiting Kelly.

Collaboration has been going on with district schools in areas such as Spanish, theater and community awareness.

The bullying prevention program kickoff went well.

Old Business:

Morning Reading Program – Volunteers are needed and always welcome from 8-8:15am as 300-400 kids are at school during this time frame. Bucknell has had women from the rowing team helping out and then staying on to volunteer in classrooms.

Spirit Wear – Deadline is Wednesday, November 17.

Campus Theater fundraising movies – This fundraiser has been successful for both Linntown and Kelly.

New Business:

Grant Proposals –

(Mrs. Shannon) Cindi Martin explained that community service is being encouraged through the 3rd grade social studies curriculum and a project that will benefit Kelly is in the works. Supplies in the amount of \$123.67 have been spent and the 3rd grade has submitted a proposal to be reimbursed for this expense. A motion to approve the reimbursement was made and approved.

(Bullying Prevention Committee) The committee has requested that the PSA purchase t-shirts for K-3rd grade and reimburse the purchase of t-shirts for 4th & 5th grade. The K-3 purchase will cost \$2800 and the 4th & 5th grade reimbursement will cost \$1225. The request was tabled.

Book Drive – Rebekah Hause proposed that money/books be collected to send to a disadvantaged district outside our area. She suggested donating to Mrs. Taylor's daughter's classroom in Texas.

Technology Grant Request – On behalf of the 3rd grade team, Alison Mannello presented a proposal for headphones with microphones for laptops. The request was discussed, tabled and will be brought up for a vote in January.

Capri Sun Recycling – It was suggested that this program be looked into and a possible volunteer be found to help run it.

Bus Discussion – Ron Kabonick, Kathy Swope and Diana Mack were present to discuss bussing and general information on how routes are worked out in the Lewisburg School District. The power point presentation will be posted on the PSA website along with this month's minutes.

Statistics and information presented included the number/types of buses in our district's fleet, the locations/schools serviced by our fleet, driver requirements/responsibilities for the state of PA vs. Roherer Bus Service, Board policy guidelines surrounding bussing, facts & figures for student transportation history as well as financial information.

It was explained that bus routes are designed to provide a safe and efficient means of transportation to and from school and to obtain the maximum state reimbursement.

Buses have been redesigned since 1988 and are now the safest on the road.

The next PSA meeting will be at 7pm on January 10, 2011 at Kelly.

Carmen Terry motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:31pm and James Marshall seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Cavanagh