

**Mt. Lebanon City Council of PTAs Meeting
Wednesday, February 4, 2015
Washington Elementary School
Minutes**

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance—The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. There were 19 people in attendance.

Approval of Minutes—Julie Maselko
The minutes from the January 7, 2014 meeting were presented and approved as written.

Treasurers Report—Melissa Bailey

- Only \$448 short of budget goal.
- Financial statements were presented.

Correspondence—Chantelle Moore

- None to report.

Executive Committee Reports

President's Report-- Julie Maselko

- Thank you to: Washington Elementary school, Mary Kay Davis and PTA President Julie Toussaint for hosting today's meeting;
- A draft of a letter to submit to Matt Smith and Dan Miller will be sent out to the PTA Presidents regarding the new clearances law. The new District HR Director is reviewing the current grid and will notify us of any changes.
- The PTA Installation Lunch will be at the High School this year. Awards will be presented, please let us know if any potential nominees.
- PTA unit Elections should be in process. All elections held in March.
- Parent Education meeting with Dan Miller and Lisa Silverman was held. Please notify us of any potential topics.
- Many State PTA positions remain open.
- The new website is still in the works. There will be training scheduled. All units should be working to scale down their websites.
- The Brain Show was very well received in the fall. Need to look at the budget to determine how it will be funded in the future.

3rd V.P. Report/Superintendent—Dr. Steinhauer

- There were 13 teacher retirements.
- Working on the budget with the School Board.
- High School project is coming to a conclusion (inside). Devil's hallway will be open permanently next week. Very happy with how things have turned out.
- ALICE training for high school students has begun with the Police Department. Will be rolling out to Middle and Elementary in an age appropriate way.
- Teacher Negotiations continue. Trying to make good decisions for the faculty and community.

- Enrollment was 140 in the first semester and an additional 10 in the second semester.

Standing Committee Reports

Standing Rules--Jodi Kubit

- 2 proposed changes to the Bylaws.
 - Georgia Pogue Scholarship committee—any committee member cannot have a senior is high school.
 - Need to add High School Visionary Award to the list.
- Julie Smith made a motion to change the Standing Rules. Seconded. All in favor.

Bylaws—Jodi Kubit

- Need to amend list of Officers to include only one (1) Secretary.
- Need to combine the duties of Corresponding & Recording Secretary.
- Bylaws will be voted on next month.

Reflections—Chantelle Moore for Jennie Bhojwani

- There were 33 kids that moved on to the Regional Level. Of those, 18 were awarded 5th place or higher for their respective events. However only those in the top 3 in the region move on to the state.

Community Liaisons

Outreach—Mary Birks

- Outreach had 47 clients last month. Largest number of issues was in the Anxiety/Depression area. The good news that people are coming in to get help.
- Working with Hoover Elementary guidance counselor to run some sessions for 1-2 grade boys for anger management and social skills.
- Purse Bash fundraiser went well. About 350 women attended. Billy Hartung was the MC. The next event is the Spring Event at Sienna Mercato. Steve Blass, former Pirate, will be attending. Date for the event is April 28th.

School Board—Mary Birks

- Need to pass a preliminary budget, according to state law to be able to go out for referendum. However they will not be going out for referendum.
- It is a very very difficult decision to raise taxes and the School Board does not take it lightly.
- Discussion of the rifle range will happen this month.

Library—Laurie Schultz

- Brain Fuse flyer available.
- Flyer on databases also available.
- Monthly flyer of events available.
- There is a display of books regarding Mental Health topics at the Library.

- Behavior issues at the Library have resulted in the police being called. It is middle school kids from Mellon.

Unfinished Business

- None

New Business

- Report of the Nominating Committee—Julie Smith presented the committee's proposed slate to Julie Maselko who read the nominations. The election will take place at the March 4th PTA Council meeting at Foster Elementary.

President—Julie Maselko

1st Vice President—Jodi Kubit

2nd Vice President—Sara Dougherty

3rd Vice President—Dr. Tim Steinhauer

Treasurer—Melissa Bailey

Secretary—Chantelle Moore

Historian—Julie Smith

There were no nominations from the floor. The slate is uncontested.

Unit Presidents Announcements

- None

Adjournment—The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Submitted by: Chantelle Moore, Secretary

Approved: _____