Lincoln Elementary PTA Meeting

March 15, 2017, 7 p.m.

1. **Call to Order-** The meeting with called to order at 7:05 p.m., by Amy Shannon-Spector.
2. **Approval of Minutes-** There were no minutes to approve due to the illness of the Recording Secretary.
3. **Executive Committee Reports**

**IV.**

* **President**
* **First Vice President**
* **Second President**
* **Third Vice President**
* **Fourth Vice President-** Mr. Kitskoshared that the Hip Hop Fundamentals and AG Lab were both really well received. He thanked all of the parents that volunteered for the lab and detailed some of the activities that students participated in during the course of the week. It was brought up if there would be any kind of savings opportunity if all of the Elementary schools in the District participated.

Mr. Kitsko also provided an update on upcoming events, including an upcoming assembly with the Sadecky Puppets on Tuesday, April 11, 2017. Mr. Kitsko reminded parents of the upcoming Coffee with the Principal on Tues., March 21st. 8:45 a.m. in the Café and also the Dare to Dream- Reimagining our libraries event to be held on March 21st. , at 7 p.m.

* **Corresponding Secretary**
* **Recording Secretary**
* **Treasurer**
1. **Historian-** Jennifer is still looking for Committee Reports from Committee Chairs. When Committee Chairs finish an event or their activity for the year, they need to fill out the Committee report form.
2. **Teacher Representatives-** The teachers thanked the PTA and parents for all of their support around Ms. Greer’s passing.
3. **Lincoln Committee Reports**
* **Community Service Food Drive for SHIM-** Amy shared details about the SHIM (South Hills Interface Ministry) food drive. Lincoln will collect box rice products from March 27th-31st. The items will be picked up on April 3rd.
* **Fitness Fair/Health and Safety –** The fitness fair will be held on Friday March 24th. There are many activities planned for this event, including, gymnastics, exercise and healthy eating stations as well as a visit from a local Olympic athlete.
* **Mardi Gras –** This year’s Mardi Gras was a huge success and netted $3,350, $150 more than budget.
* **Cultural Arts-** The Cultural Arts Committee thanked the PTA for the extra money to have the hip hop assembly.
* **Science Fair-** There are 106 kids signed-up, everyone will receive a participation medal and there will be experiments.
* **Talent Show-**The new date for the Talent Show is Friday May 5th. The flyer going home details all of the audition and rehearsal dates.

**VIII. Old Business**

* **Voting on By-Laws and Standing Rules-** Amy Shannon Spector presented the changes to the By-Laws and Standing Rules- which are detailed below and asked for everyone to vote on the changes. GG Stroms motioned to approve and Marina Seigert seconded the motion. The motions passed on the ByLaws and Standing Rule changes.
* ByLaws
	+ The principal will always be a member of the board, not someone up for a vote-based election
	+ Council dues went up a bit
	+ Included changes to board positions most notably those pertaining in to PayPal and My School Anywhere
* Standing Rules
	+ Updated committees to include International Family Committee, Notepads, Spiritwear, Grand Finale, Talent Show, and Science Fair and eliminate Odyssey of the Mind.
	+ Gave Board the ability to make budget amendments under $75
	+ Allowed for the closing out of budget items and putting extra money in Wish  List Fund
* **Board Elections –** Amy Shannon-Spector read the slate of nominees for the 2017-2018 school year and asked for a motion to approve the officers and everyone approved.

***President: Open***

***1st Vice President: Abby Murphy***

***2nd Vice President: Nicole Mayer***

***3rd Vice President: Cate Albu***

***4th Vice President: Ron Kitsko***

***Treasurer: Robyn Williams***

***Corresponding Secretary: Jennifer May***

***Recording Secretary: Becky Loughney***

***Historian: Kathy Lederman***

**IX. New Business**

* **Mrs. Harper Buddy Bench-** The money that was raised for Mrs. Harper was used to buy new library book for Mrs. Staub, $6,200 in books were purchased. The Buddy Bench in memory of Mrs. Harper is in need of donations. There are several Girl Scout and Cub Scout troops that might be interested in donating. The Committee will get a cost together and inform the PTA of the funds needed.
* **Library Meeting March 21 at 7:00 pm-** The District is working with the Children’s Museum on the design of a new maker space for the Library. The school is thinking about using Rm. 25 for this space. The Reimaging Our Library team are looking for volunteers for Lincoln and may be looking to the PTA to donate consumable items for the space on an ongoing basis.
* **Budget amendment for Fitness Fair $350-** Motion approved by GG Stroms, Seconded by Marina Seigret.

**X. Announcements and Upcoming Events**

 **3/14-3/16 Book Fair**

 **3/20 Lab Ratz Grades 1-2 (3:45-4:45 pm)**

 **3/21 Coffee with the Principal**

 **3/21 Dare to Dream: Reimaging our Library 7:00 p.m.**

 **3/24 Fitness Festival 6:30-9:00 pm**

 **3/27 International family meeting 4:00-5:30 pm**

 **4/11 Sadecky’s Puppet Show**

**XI. Adjournment**