

# MINUTES

## Allendale Elementary PTO Minutes

January 10, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Kerri Timoney at 6:30.

### In attendance

Alexis Arico, Megan Arrant, Mike Barosso, Tammy Barosso, Colleen Devine, Judy Dobson, Daniel Elias, Bob Heck, Brenda Kelley, Nikki Russo, Caryn Potash, Jenn Powers, Nicole Seyerlein, Kerri Timoney

- President's Report
  - Welcome
  - Secretary is still needed.
  - Information for Feb. calendar should be sent by noon on Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>.
  - There is no meeting in Feb.
- Meeting minutes from Jan. reviewed; Colleen Motioned to Approve and Jenn 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Treasurer's Report
  - Slow at spending money, but there are funds committed
  - Reviewed budgeted lines
- Requests
  - Nothing new.
- Committee Reports
  - Social (Alexis and Nikki)
    - Talent Show is this Fri. Dress rehearsal went well today. We are up to 24 acts. Will have an intermission and a bake sale.
    - Dance is scheduled for March 3<sup>rd</sup>
    - Ken's Bowl will work with us again and charge \$2 a game, which includes shoes. This year we have the option of charging \$4 and we would make half of the money. Mon. and Tues. nights would be a good time to plan this outing based on their schedule. Will look into Tues., Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> or Mon., Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>.
  - Fundraising (Jess and Bob)
    - Yankee Candle will be our spring fundraiser. We decided we'd like to have orders arrive before Easter. Bob will work with them to determine when our selling period will be.
    - Zucco's Dining to Donate would have to be on a Tuesday. We would earn 20% profit and coupons are not needed (just need to write Allendale on the check). We could have Bowie there making balloons for the kids and he would charge us \$50.
    - We received a check from Box Tops for just under \$730 for our fall submission (Box Tops collected March – Nov.). This is great! Keep them coming in.

- After School Programs (Alicia)
  - Would like to add a budget line for after school activities to help pay staff and needed supplies.
    - This is a self-funded line. Students pay enough to cover costs. Registration fees have to cover these charges.
  - Art Club continues on Weds. afternoons through April and is going well.
  - Physics program through the Museum will run Jan. 17 – March 21st for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades. Cost will be \$35.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade (Mike and Tammy)
  - Haven't seen a check from Five Below yet. Mike will follow-up with them.
  - Asked if we should get T-shirts. Kids like to sign them so, if there is money available, this would be good to do.
  - Pictures are needed for the yearbook! Will also reach out to the teachers.
- Holiday Bazaar (Kerri and Colleen)
  - Went well this year. Kids seem to enjoy this long standing event.
  - Shopped after Christmas for good deals to offer for next year.
- Teachers' Report
  - Nothing to report.
- Principal's Report
  - DARE will be starting soon.
  - Curriculum Director, Judy Rush, has a meeting four times a year with Parent Advisory Council. Allendale doesn't have a representative. The next meeting dates are Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> and May 9<sup>th</sup> from 5 p.m. – 6 p.m. If you're interested in attending, please let Mrs. Kelley know. (Colleen and Jenn volunteered, but we can have more representation.)
  - Would like to have the DA's office come in some night (probably March time frame) to discuss technology safety.
  - Grade 2 received Chromebooks.
  - All classrooms have received whiteboards.
  - Grade 3 taught character trait of the month, which was tolerance.
  - Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup> Pittsfield Million Father's March greeted our students as they came back to school after the holiday break.
  - PHS open house is Thurs. 6-8.
  - Benchmark reading will take place on Jan. 18th.
  - School system is entering budget season, expecting a tight year.
  - Jan 31 will be a joint meeting between School Committee and City Council at 7 p.m. This is open to the public and on TV.
- Open Forum
  - Nothing

Meeting adjourned at 7 p.m.