

Springfield Township Home & School

Meeting Minutes

1/18/17

Executive Board Present - Christiana Bucs, Brandi Corbo, Kerry Trilling, Melina Walker, Traci Leonard-Kownacki, Brandy Greiner, Kathy Stizza

Meeting called to order 7:04pm

The President thanked everyone for their help with all of the events in December.

Breakfast with Santa - Was extremely successful. Thank you to everyone who helped and organized. There was discussion/suggestion about next year making Mayfair a winter festival.

Secretary's Report - Minutes are available online on the Home & School website and a copy for viewing was also available at the meeting. Motion to approve minutes was made by Gretchen Lucas and seconded by Melissa Knox.

Treasurer's Report - Treasurer Vicki Aaronson is absent and we do not have her report at this time. They will be available at the next meeting.

Sunshine Update - Jenn Mancini-Wallrath is absent today. Sympathy cards were sent to the Pettitte's and to the Buc's.

Assembly update - The next assembly will be February 10<sup>th</sup> Women in History. We have another assembly scheduled for February 27<sup>th</sup> called "Reading Rocks". Also there will be an assembly the "Secret World of Robots." We looked into the weather station and having them come to do an assembly but they report their budgets have been cut but they are hopeful they will be able to do something in the Spring.

Vendor Blender - Some of the vendors did very well and Home & School made approximately \$400. Rana Smith made the suggestion to advertise more this event more, possibly with use of lawn signs. It was discussed the cost of lawn signs can be high. Kerry Trilling suggested that if we do Mayfair in the winter next year to consider doing the vendors on the same day as that event.

Breakfast with Santa - This event was amazing. Thank you to Mr. Vaughn for being the conductor. Thank you to the Honor Society for volunteering their time. Having Santa on stage this year to take pictures with the children was really great as well. If we don't do a winter Mayfair next year, there was a discussion of having 2 seatings for breakfast with Santa. Also discussed possibly

having "Pancake Man" come next year and there was an explanation of the show that he does and how fun it is for the children.

Holiday Shop - It was very nice that the gifts were wrapped this year. Suggestion made that next year the 6<sup>th</sup> graders get some assistance in wrapping techniques if we utilize them again. Their hard work this year was greatly appreciated. A rough estimate of spending on the Holiday Shop this year is that we spent approximately \$2,344 and we deposited \$2,013 so we are looking at a little over \$500 profit after we return some items back to the company.

Classroom Holiday Parties - These seemed to all go fine and no issues were reported.

Pizza Bingo - PreK-3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Thank you to Kathy Stizza for a job well done. A lot of people ordered pizzas. Kathy Stizza suggested that we could get families to share pizzas next year if they only have 2 people eating rather than having to get an entire pie. Discussed keeping this event K-3. Having everyone winners was a big hit. Thank you to everyone who helped with this event.

Giving Tree - Mrs. Riccianni asked that the message be relayed to the Home & School that the families who received items from the giving tree as well as food baskets were extremely grateful.

Penny Wars - This will be taking place January 23<sup>rd</sup>-January 27<sup>th</sup>. Containers will have little slots so no hands can go into them this year. The proceeds will be donated to the ASPCA. Discussion of how the children really enjoy getting to see where the monies they raised are going towards. It was shared the treasurer purchased a coin counter with her personal funds.

Sweetheart/Someone Special Dance - Committee meeting will be immediately following the meeting. Rsvp's are due back on February 1<sup>st</sup>. We already have received 40 rsvp's.

FYI to the group - Any Flyers made out by Home & School for events should say who to make checks payable to and also that it is "Sponsored by Home & School".

4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Family Fun Night - Discussion that this event will become a bowling night in March. Date to be determined.

Ladies Bingo - This event will be April 1<sup>st</sup>. We will have 1 week of tickets being available for purchase only by people in our school. Then it will be opened to the public.

*Correction to Agenda Calendar - School will not be closed on 2/17 as it is a ½ day.*

*Valentine's Day - PreK - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade will do a card exchange and have a treat and drink provided. No parents come in for this event. Please talk to your teachers to coordinate.*

*Mayfair - Suggestion was made to move Mayfair's location this year to Liberty Lake. We would have the entire Liberty Lake to ourselves and have access to the pool, lake, gaga pits, food, paddle boats, miniature golf. The cost would be \$15 per child and \$20 per adult but that would include all food, ice cream and activities. We could organize events and competitions. By a show of hands members were asked if they were interested in potentially doing this and the majority raised their hands. May 20<sup>th</sup> is the date 10am-6pm. Kerry Trilling suggested having a schedule of events on that day. It was also discussed not having a prize table but maybe a small prize for team winners. The question was raised about cost and if it would be prohibitive for families who have several children as that would be very costly to have a family of 5 pay approximately \$85. Christina Drum suggested sending out a poll to the school. Kathy Stizza suggested sending out a survey monkey. It was agreed a survey monkey will be sent out to see what people's feelings are on having Mayfair at a different location and for a higher cost before we make any final decisions.*

*6<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip - Christina Drum asked for information regarding the field trip. Mr. Vaughn stated he was still waiting for the proceeds of the Holiday Gift shop to determine the cost for students. Right now it will be approximately \$75 per student and \$119 per adult. The bus will be departing at 7am and returning at 8:30 pm. The field trip will consist of going to the 911 Memorial Museum, Ellis Island, Edison Diner, and Liberty Island. Lunch will be on your own. Discussion about cost of the trip, schedule of the trip and what has happened in past years.*

*Please let us know if you have anything to share.*

*Meeting adjourned at 8:43*

*Next meeting February 14, 2017*