

September 2015 Martic PTO Minutes

- I. Introductions** - Vinnie Perkins, Amy Troup, Jen Sugra, Kelli Eachus, Amanda Howry, Jen Arnold, Lori Longenecker, Chris Harzinski, Stephanie Andreychek, Ashley Stringer, Laurie Harnish, Jackie Urban, Lindsay Horton
- II. Approval of May Minutes** -
- a. There are no minutes to approve for May 2015.
- III. Old Business** -
- a. The 6th grade Track and Field Day was on May 26. The event went really well; we would love to do it again this year.
  - b. The Welcome Back Staff Luncheon was on August 20 at 11:30 a.m. PTO provided lunch for the staff and the staff were very thankful for this token of our appreciation.
  - c. Kindergarten Orientation was held on August 20 from 6-7 p.m. Water bottles and other items were handed out in the library to the in-coming kindergartners. In the cafeteria, members of the PTO introduced themselves to the new parents and encouraged parents to attend the next PTO meeting. The kids had fun and it was very beneficial for the PTO.
- IV. Treasurer's Report** - Vinnie Perkins
- a. Funds are lower than they have been in past years, so PTO are having to make cuts and changes to the budget.
  - b. Scholastic book vouchers are now being given to up to 100 students rather than having a school-wide donation.
  - c. Pequea Elementary School will be helping with funds for busing students to field trips.
  - d. A motion was made to approve the budget as stated and the motion passed unanimously.
- V. Committee Reports**
- a. Yearbook - Jen Arnold
    1. The total cost of the yearbook will now be around \$13/student as opposed to the \$7 cost from last year.
    2. Jen will find out when the template is due for the yearbook cover.
    3. Parents are needed to take photos for the yearbook; Vinnie said that posters are going to be put in each classroom for Meet the Teacher night, asking for volunteers to participate in various activities, including taking photos.
    4. It was also suggested that teachers take pictures and get them to Jen.
    5. A note was made that Facebook posts must have approval before they can be posted.
  - b. Spring Fling
    1. We have three volunteers (Lindsay Horton, Amy Troup, and Jackie Urban) who will shadow Kim Spearing, the current Spring Fling Chair, for this year and then take it over next year; they will be dividing the work into games, food, raffle, etc.
  - c. Hospitality Committee
    1. Amy Troup will take over as chair of the Hospitality Committee.
  - d. B.A.G.S. Program
    1. After last year's 4th marking period trial run, it was unanimously decided that we would try this fundraiser again as long as we had a committee and would start small with just Musser's cards. Amanda Howry volunteered to chair this committee.
  - d. Meet the Teacher Night
    1. Help is needed in the cafeteria to recruit new PTO members and volunteers.
- VI. Fundraisers**
- a. Sub sale will be starting in October.
  - b. Another fundraiser is still being discussed, selling items from an organization called Nature's Vision.
  - c. A restaurant or ice cream night to raise money for Martic is being looked into. Martic will get a percentage of the proceeds.
- VII. New Business**
- a. Kyle Echterling's Eagle Scout Project
    1. Kyle is planning on building a gaga pit for Martic and the PTO would like to support him with Facebook posts to assist in earning money for this cause.
  - b. Family Fun Night
    1. A bingo night is planned for the Fall, chaired by Amy Troup and Jackie Urban.
    2. A movie night is planned for the winter, chaired by Jackie Urban and Sara Roth.
- VIII. Teacher's Report**
- a. The teachers would like to thank the PTO for the summer reading program donation.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:20 p.m.