



Pleasant View PTA Meeting Minutes

Date: November 13, 2023

Time: 6:30 pm

Place: PLV Library

Present: Megan Barone, Mindy Gassman, Julie Mann, Valerie Campbell, Beth Rice, Loretta Gilbeck, Samantha Letney, Lindsay Walther, Jackie Miller, Chantelle Kelsall, Olivia Logan

Board Members:	President	–	Megan Barone
	Co-Vice-Presidents	–	Karyn Green, Susan Smith & Mindy Gassman
	Secretary	–	Olivia Logan
	Treasurer	–	Erin Onions
	Principal	–	Steven Cotton

Regular Business:

- Call to Order - called to order at 6:34.
- Approval of Minutes – Approved as written.
- Principal’s Report – Mr. Cotton was absent.
- Treasurer’s Report – Erin Onions
 - Fall fest final pay out to the school is \$17,195.77.
- President’s Report – Megan Barone
 - Reflections ceremony will be on Thursday, 1/11. This is a District wide event.
 - Book fair was another success. Hopewell did a pilot this year with a different company, Literati. We have heard this company has a little more variety than Scholastic. No decisions will be made about our future book fair until we hear from Hopewell. Other schools do Scholastic like us.
- Vice-President’s Report – None

New Business:

- Staff Appreciation: Conference food was great, the teachers loved it. Tuesday (11/14) was the Thanksgiving dinner for staff. Thanks to all who donated for both of these teacher meals. There will be a sign up coming out for the teacher baked potato bar in December.
- Movie night: Movie titles will be coming around to teachers soon so the students can vote on what movie to watch. Movie night is January 5th. Students can come in their pjs and enjoy a fun night with friends and a movie.
- Variety Show: The Variety Show is coming back after being away for many years! The committee will be coming around to the classrooms to talk with students about the fun event. Auditions (rehearsal) will be on January 10 and the final event is January 19th. Still lots of open spots needed for volunteers:
 - Looking for a photographer to take pictures during the event. IT was suggested to talk with the high school photography program to see if there are any students able to help.
 - Set-up crew is needed for the day of the event, so we are looking for volunteers to set-up on 1/19.

- The committee is doing a great job and has lots of fun ideas such as having a red carpet for the performers to walk down, a balloon arch with spotlights and a small celebration for after the event. Be on the lookout for a sign up genius to come out asking for donations and volunteer spots.
- Key dates for the event: 12/1 final submissions are due, 1/10 auditions/rehearsals (all students can participate but their acts must be 1.5 minutes or less), and final event 1/19.
- Once all students have submitted their acts, more information will come out.
- This is a free event and a lot of fun. We encourage students to do performances in groups if they are more comfortable.
- If you have any information that you would like teachers to put into their classroom newsletters, please let Cindy Blake in the office know and she can pass the information on to the teachers.
- World Culture Night is 2/8 - more information to come.

Old Business:

- Book fair was a huge success, with record high sales on Thursday night. We have lots of Scholastic dollars to be given back to the school. Huge shout out to Susan Smith for all her hard work and the other volunteers.
 - For teachers: please let Megan know what you want from the Scholastic catalog
 - A few suggestions: K-2 updating book room for guided reading books, get more up to date materials.
 - A book vending machine was suggested. Hopewell has one. Riverdale Heights is getting one. The teachers think it would be a great idea and a fun addition to the school. There would be no cost to the students. At Hopewell the PTA donates one book per student. We will gather more information for this idea.
 - Conference child care was successful. We had about 60 students that were watched. Feedback was that it was appreciated. Some parents didn't know. If we over communicate then we do struggle with space. The gym is not an option for child care as the Y Care uses it. Will research more for next conferences.
 - Donuts with GrownUps had a huge turnout for the pie fundraiser. If you ordered a pie, please contact Small Town Pastry to go pick up your pie.
 - The visiting author, Cynthia Lord, was a lot of fun. All the students and staff loved it. She did a great job and the kids were excited to meet her and find out that she is just an every day person with pets, etc.

Announcements:

- November 22-24 - No School/Thanksgiving Break
- December 1 - Grades 5th & 6th - Hoops for Heart (3:00pm)
- December 6 - Early Dismissal
- December 11 - PLV PTA Meeting

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 PM.