



## PTO General Membership Meeting

September 23, 2014

- ❖ President Report – Kara Weipz
  - Welcome – Introduce new board members:
    - Jennifer Chinn, Corresponding Secretary
    - Maureen Mitchell, Recording Secretary
    - Ratna Trivedi, Parliamentarian
  - What we do as a PTO – fundraise and pay for social events for the kids
  - Overview of the year
  - PTO Presidents’ Meeting recap
  - Board Restructuring – Maureen Mitchell stepped down as Recording Secretary to be a Co-VP of Fundraising with Heather Blum; Kara Weipz made a motion to nominate Bridget Christy for Recording Secretary which was seconded by Jen Halfpenny; All in favor motion passed
  - Picnic & Luncheon recaps
- ❖ VP of Student Activities – Nicole Graziano was absent so Kara Weipz gave the report
  - Assembly October 7<sup>th</sup> – Anti-Bullying Theme
  - Theater Week – Oct. 20-24<sup>th</sup>. Contact Kerri Magnus if you can help
  - Chairs are needed for following events: Roller Skating Party, Children’s Fun Night, Hillside Hoops (looking for a 4<sup>th</sup> grade parent), Bingo Night (Co-Chair Needed with intent to run the event next year.)
- ❖ VP of Fundraising – Heather Blum
  - KidStuff books went out last week; the PTO earns 50% of each book sold
  - Flower Sale is Saturday September 27<sup>th</sup>
  - Clothing Drive – not this fall. Working on other solution to get a permanent clothing bin placed on school property year for year round donations
  - Scrip – the PTO buys the gift cards at a discount (3%-18%) then sells them at face value; flyers were passed out and the information is available on the PTO website
  - Square 1 Art - kids are working on this week flyers will go out in early Oct
  - Upcoming Fundraisers – this year we are discussing a ladies night; the first dine out night of the year is October 15<sup>th</sup> at Marcello’s in Marlton; Funtasia is our largest event
- ❖ Faculty Report – Mary Fitzgerald
  - Thanked PTO for teachers luncheon given before school started
  - Buses have been crazy first week of school now everything is running on schedule
  - This year’s School theme is “Get Out” where the emphasis will be on getting kids active and away from screens.
  - This is the first year the BOE is piloting the EKO -
- ❖ Recording Secretary – Maureen Mitchell
  - Minutes from the June meeting are posted to the website- Motion to approve Dawn Whalen; Second Bridget Christy; All in Favor; Motion carried

- Info for Website can be forwarded to Bridget Christy - Any flyers or forms please send to her in PDF format
- Magnets for sale
  
- ❖ Corresponding Secretary – Jennifer Chinn
  - Information for Hightlights, our online newsletter, is due by 15<sup>th</sup> of month
  - Information for Happenings, our weekly email newsletter, is due by Thursday each week\
  - Open Chair positions available - Spring Luncheon, Teacher Appreciation
  
- ❖ Treasurer – Dawn Whalen
  - Budget: Dawn reviewed the proposed budget for 2014-2015 line by line; Motion Dawn Whalen; Second Bridget Christy; All in Favor; Motion carried Budget passed
  - End of Year Gift – Dawn asked everyone to bring any ideas for an approximate \$20,000 gift; one of the suggestions floated were a running track;