

PTO Meeting Tuesday April 5, 2016

5:30 PM

Meeting Minutes

CEO

March 9th Regional Spelling Bee Competition took place at Robert Morris University. Devin (8th grade) competed for Young Scholars. Thanks to Mrs. Day, Ms. Vardoulis and Mr. Biyikli for their support.

High school fair- Great turn out

Multicultural Olympiad Competition- New York Trip.– 3rd place for Turkish Folk dance, Zoe (8th grade) competed in singing in English.

Spring Break Boot Camp was a great success

ION JONES CHEMISTRY DAY – the students loved it and volunteers had fun

GAMES 'N AT trip - Reward Saturday Academy

PSSA Pep Rally on Monday April 11th.

Art in the schedule for next year, LOOKING for full-time teacher

PTO Treasure Report –see attached paper

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Teacher Report: Mrs. Michael fundraiser Thirty-One gifts, for 4th/5th grade field trips. \$10 for a calendar ticket, selling in April. Winning numbers each day in May receive prizes.

Mrs. Rachel: 40,000 school post cards were mailed out in Allegheny County. 2,000 more post cards to local libraries –getting our name out there. Open houses very successful. April 6th is the lottery

Nurse Report: **Reminder...Dental exams are mandatory for K, 3, 7 and physical exams are mandatory for K and 6.** The mobile dentist is coming to the school on April 29th. See Rachel for consent forms.

Ms. Day: Planning end of year cedar point trip for Middle School Students, May 26th. – Hoping to raise \$3,000 dollars for transportation and help with admission cost. They will be selling Dixie cup ice cream for \$1.00, April 18th -22nd, and raffle baskets at Family Game Night. Possible popcorn-fundraiser during school hours. Check out GoFundMe page. <https://www.gofundme.com/yswpcs>

Yearbook submissions due on Friday. Student Council helping Mrs. V put it together.

Spring Fling (Middle School Dance) – TBA

Welcoming new parents - PTO will attend Kindergarten Orientation Thursday April 21st. Setup PTO table with info, and kids table (coloring pages, crayons, etc.) PTO also set up "Summer Playdate". Mr. B will send flyer to new parents, then PTO and/or Homeroom Parents follow up with a phone call, to personally invite them to the playdate AND the Parent/Staff Picnic at beginning of school year. Maybe PTO hosts a Coffee Club next year, inviting parents to "Hang Out and Drink Coffee" once a month, early AM before work. Or every few months.

Homeroom Parents

Teacher Appreciation Week (see more info below)

PTO Meeting Tuesday May 3, 2016, 5:30pm – Annual Mandatory Meeting for Homeroom Parents. Voting for next year's Officers will take place at this meeting. See other doc attached for nomination form. If you've volunteered this year, and would like to be part of an exciting Executive Committee, please fill out the form along with a brief bio. All that's really required is a positive attitude and the ability to attend meetings and volunteer for some events. Join us!

Upcoming events

Family Game Night! April 28th 6:00 pm – 8:00pm. PTO hosting Ice Cream Social, starting at 7:00pm. Tons of Games, Bingo, 50/50, Chinese auction. Gift Baskets Committee: Tina Chajkowski, Lisa Thomas, Audrey McNutt, Sharon Burke. Eat N Park "decorate your own cookie!" station - Jen O. to pickup cookies. Christina makes cookie icing. Looking for Volunteers to help with serving ice cream!

Teacher Appreciation Week! May 2nd – 6th. PTO will provide breakfast for teachers/staff on Monday, Catered lunch on Tuesday, and **Potluck Dinner Thursday right after school. Please bring in a dish! 3:45pm**, through back door. There are 42 teachers/staff members to feed. Stick around to help out if you can!

Jen O Will get poster boards for all teachers and staff. Home room parents are to come in either Monday of that week or the week prior, and get students to sign the boards with their names and messages, then hang on the classroom door. (See attached examples for some creative ideas). Also encouraged to make small craft or card for teacher (check Pinterest for ideas!) PTO will provide gifts for all teachers as well.

Scholastic Book Fair Week of May 16th – 20th. During school hours. See Mrs. Day if you can help out for a few hours! D.day@yswpcs.org

Family Reading Night, Science Theme - Thursday May 19th

Talent Show May 25th (in-school, will be live-streamed)

8th Grade Graduation Saturday June 4th 10:00am. PTO will provide coffee, snacks and cake. Come help out and show your support for our graduating class of 2016!

Field Day Wednesday June 8th. The most anticipated day of the year! Helping with this event is a lot of fun, helping kids through the stations such as potato sack races, obstacle course, water balloon toss, etc.

***If you are available to volunteer (ie, hang out with a bunch of fun moms) for any of these events, please let us know, we love to see new faces!

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