

Wayne Council of PTO's Council Meeting

May 8, 2013

Lafayette Elementary School

1. Welcome by Janine DelVecchio. Meeting called to order at 7:38pm.
2. Leslie Fischgrund made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the last Council Meeting. Staci Lupo seconded and the motion carried. Leslie Fischgrund made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Staci Lupo seconded the motion. The motion carried.
3. Officer's Reports:
  - A. Corresponding Secretary: Maria Beilis – Please send a list of your outgoing presidents as quickly as possible. Also, please forward next year's slate.
  - B. Treasurer's Report: Stephanie Fenske – copy of the budget distributed. Motion to accept the budget by Joyce Morandi. Staci Lupo seconded. All in favor, motion passed. Scholarships will be given out totaling \$44,000 from proceeds of CCW and BnS. Assistant Treasurer – no report.
  - C. 1<sup>st</sup> V.P. – Fran Cook – please complete report of operations for any raffle that your school has conducted. They need my signature and need to be sent to the state.
  - D. 2<sup>nd</sup> V.P. – Jackie Prince – Fran and Jackie will be hosting a meet and greet for all new executive board members, Board of Ed reps and administration to welcome new officers. Date, time and location to follow.
  - E. Co-President: Karen Marron and Janine DelVecchio
    - Thanks to all for a great year
    - Outgoing presidents will be acknowledged at the June 20 Board of Ed meeting.
4. Committee Reports:
  - A. Food Bank – Susan Kresge
    - Many orders have been filled.
    - Finishing stock on some items.
    - Will be closing up for the summer
    - WHHS Student Council is donating \$500 to Food Bank
  - B. Wayne Alliance – Karen Marron
    - MagicMasters Basketball game HUGE success.

- Next meeting in 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at noon, May 15<sup>th</sup> at noon in the Health building.
- C. Project Graduation – Janine DelVecchio:
- Both schools did a new fundraiser. SAT bootcamp one week before the SAT's. Huge success, will be a junior year project grade fundraiser.
- D. SPA – Janine DelVecchio
- Beth M. will be taking a leave while she is running for political office.
  - SPA ran two CCW classes in spring session that were successful.
- E. PGS: no report
- F. CCW: Reported by Karen Marron & Janine DelVecchio
- Purchased sign for outside of building.
  - Have been trained in security procedures and can use intercom system.
- G. Browse n Shop: reported by Karen Marron and Janine DelVecchio
- Bag sale going on now.
  - Closing June 13<sup>th</sup> to bag all leftover items for Fashion Republic pick up.
5. Administrative Reports
- A. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Gonzalez
- Weekly community notice blast is being opened by 2000-3000 people weekly.
  - [news@wayneschools.com](mailto:news@wayneschools.com) is where you can email events or information for Wayne facebook page.
  - Like the Wayne Facebook page
  - Wayne Education Foundation summer camps are registering now.
  - 3 elementary schools have completed principal searches. Randall Carter has approved Jen Pillaficious and offers have been made for Pines Lake and Theunis.
  - Wayne Valley principal position is officially open.
  - Reorganization plan presented in April. Aligns and prepares district for new evaluation system and standard without exceeding the cap and budget.

- Many changes are ahead. One such change is the sharing of 3 Assistant Principals at the elementary level.

B. Director's Report: Elementary - Diane Pandolfi

- Currently reviewing the report card procedure. Current system does not meet with the common core standards. Meeting with teachers and parents to discuss different options. There will be a parent forum to present. Possible basing more on rubric form. Plan is to have this in place for the 2013-2014 school year.
- Refining curriculum in all areas, Reading first, then math to follow.
- The environmental program with Ramapo has been huge success. Each student has had two experiences – 1 trip and 1 inside the classroom.
- Revamp of science coming.
- Not eliminating the “camp” experience for 5<sup>th</sup> graders. Looking at Fairview Lakes as an option. Camp can accommodate 275 children. The 3 schools joining for middle school would travel together. Teachers would be chaperones only, Fairview had staff that does all the program teaching.
- Please be patient as professional development is so important to teacher and student success. if you have any concerns about teacher attendance please speak with your building principal.
- Media specialists will be implementing keyboarding program in preparation for the Park test.

C. Principal's Report: Lafayette – Ms. Leskowitz

- 5<sup>th</sup> grades currently completing NJ Ask.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> next week.
- K orientation is being completed at elementary schools.
- Field Days coming up.
- Many 5<sup>th</sup> grade end of year activities starting to take place.

D. WEA: no report

E. BOE: Presented by Bob Ceberio

- Reviewing security of all schools. Proposed 5 million budget to bring all schools security up to date. This may be done as a referendum, would be minimal increase over several years.

6. Department Reports:

A. Health Services no report

B. Food Advisory Committee – no report

C. Special Services – no report

D. Transportation – no report

E. Technology – Joe Burchard

- Park preparation under way. Elementary will be getting new computers this summer because current ones are not compatible for testing. Middle school will follow next year. 20 day window to complete all testing.
- More iPads will be purchased for elementary schools next year.
- Secondary level will have chrome books.
- These items will be fully integrated into curriculum.
- New student information system (SIS) to be rolled out this summer. Will have more than current parent portal. Will be done in increments.
- New system allows for one account for multiple children and schools. One registration process. Eventually real time grades will be accessible.

F. Building Services – no report

7. New Business:

- Wayne Day – Ellen Fitzsimmons moved to increase the Wayne Day budget from \$400 to \$800. This would be to purchase giveaways and activities. Jackie Prince seconded. All in favor, motion passed.
- Stephanie Fenske moved to increase professional fees from \$1250 to \$1500. Joyce Morandi seconded the motion. These are accounting fees. All in favor, motion passed.
- Calendar Raffle for the 2014 Calendar year goes to the only two schools who have not received it yet. They are GW and RC. Terhune was picked as the alternate.
- Staci Lupo made a motion to change the reading of the following by-law.

*Current language in bylaws Article 7,4 d & e*

*d. The nominating committee shall meet to select one nominee for each office to be filled, and report at the next regularly scheduled local chapter meeting. Contact of all nominees shall be made at least one week prior to the next meeting. At the same time the general membership shall be notified in writing from the nominating committee of the slate to be presented at this meeting. Nominations from the floor will be accepted at this time. If there are no nominations, the slate is approved. If there are nominations from the floor, the election of officers shall be held at the next meeting or a special election meeting. (Refer to Article 5, 2-d.)*

*e. A majority vote of all members present shall elect. The election process must be completed by May 31.*

*Note changes in red:*

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*e. **If there are nominations from the floor, the election of officers shall be held at the next meeting or a special election meeting. As stated in Article 5, 2-d, a paid member shall be entitled to vote on the election of officers at the chapter where the membership is held. A majority vote of all members present shall elect. The election process must be completed by May 31.***

Maria Beilis seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed.

- Nomination Committee announced slate for 2013-2014 school year as follows:

Co-Presidents: Fran Cook and Jackie Prince

Vice Presidents: open

Treasurer: Stephanie Fenske

Assistant Treasurer: Caroline Mastres

Recording Secretary: Kristen DeVries

Corresponding Secretary: Maria Beilis

There were no nominations from the floor. Slate was accepted, officers were installed.

- Bully Presentation brought to board by 6<sup>th</sup> grade student. AW 7<sup>th</sup> graders will be seeing the movie "Bully". Council will coordinate the presentation at further schools with Naomi Conklin.
- Jackie Prince gave a huge thank you for all the hard work by outgoing presidents Janine DeVecchio and Karen Marron.

Motion to adjourn made by Maria Beilis. Susan Kresge seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:32pm.

**Attendance:**

Joyce Morandi	Wayne Hills
Susan Kresge	Food Bank
Bob Ceberio	BOE
Robyne Rasa	Theunis
Diane Pandolfi	Director
Carolyn Radler	Fallon
Linda Marchesini	AW
Staci Lupo	Lafayette
Maria Beilis	Council
Jackie Prince	Council
Fran Cook	Council
Stephanie Fenske	Council
Karen Marron	Council
Janine DelVecchio	Council
Leslie Fischgrund	Council
Caroline Mastres	Council
Denise Hammer	JFK
Stephanie Conklin	Pines Lake
Ellen Fitzsimmons	Pines Lake
Beth Marmoleja	SPA
Dr Gonzalez	Superintendent
Joe Burchard	Technology Director
Diane Pandolfi	Director Elementary Ed
Ms. Leskowitz	Principal Lafayette
Terry Rigoglioso	Lafayette
Mary LaSala	Lafayette
Debbie Jozak	Lafayette
Deb Califf	Randall Carter
Lori Riccobono	GW