

Woodland Home & School Membership Meeting

Wednesday, February 11, 2015

9:15 am

In Attendance:

Gabby Winters	Mrs. Ehmer	Altaira Heiser	Betty Nascimento
Susan Washburn	Michelle Petko	Elizabeth Drummond	Katie Shireman
Kim Larcinese	Zanthia Reddish	Tommy Avelar	

1. Sign in and Welcome Introductions:
2. Old Business: None to report
3. Recording Secretary's Report: None to report.
4. President's Report: Gabby Winters
  - a. We are currently trying to get every school on Quick Books but struggling to get it together so the School District will pay a consulting firm to get this going.
  - b. We currently have a rider to the School District's Insurance Policy. We modeled the Coordinating Council like North Penn as they have a rider and each school pays their own insurance.
  - c. Woodland needs a representative for the Coordinating Council for the next few year and they are to attend those meetings. Currently this is Gabby Winters as our WHS President.
5. Vice Presidents' Reports: Kim Larcinese has nothing new to report.
6. Treasurer's Report: Liz Drummond

Liz opened with Box Tops came in over \$1000.00 and the cupcake fundraiser checks were still coming in and that seemed to be a success. We received \$285.00 in Dips as we covered this last month in addition to approx. \$256.00 from Uno's. Expenses are starting to hit for Fun Day. We may be asked for a donation towards Post Prom and Outdoor Ed. Other upcoming expenses may be....last year we paid \$400.00 toward the Student Loan Fund so we may see that request shortly. We will wait for a formal request before this is paid this year.

Mini Grants: Past request from the second grade for a \$400.00 cart was withdrawn and they resubmitted this request for a \$200.00 Lake Shore Learning reading cart which was voted on and approved.

\$75.00 School Store items was denied because each teacher already gets \$100.00 allotment from the H&S which this money can be used towards this request.

Ms. Fisher has requested \$559.68 for (2) Dash and Dot Robots which are used for computer coding, this enhances learning and can be purchased from makewonder.com. Computer Coding is one of the leading professions today and it would be beneficial for the whole school to have these robots. The board approved to buy the \$299.00 wonder pack as a pilot and we will get 1 set of robots and accessories, if this goes well then we will revisit a second purchase.

7. Corresponding Secretary's Report: Susan Washburn nothing to report.

8. Principal's Report: Zanthia Reddish

Dr. Reddish opened asking us how many parents will be at the hearing on 2/23/2015 as she will be in attendance. She advised that there is some angst among the teachers and parents and we are trying to be understanding and supportive during this time. The executive board advised, as well as many other parents, that they will be attending and some speaking at this hearing in support of keeping both schools open.

They are having District wide K registration and will have a central wide registration process at Eagleville Elementary. There will be online appointments for just the registration but the screening will be done the first week of June as this helps the teachers see the children closer to the start of the school year.

Today marks the 100th day of school, and Dr. Reddish noted that the NED assembly went great.

Early Achievers program started Monday morning .

The testing for the PSSAs lasts 2 weeks for the 3<sup>rd</sup> graders and 3 weeks for the 4<sup>th</sup> graders. The testing dates shown below will all take place in the am. The test is more complex than prior years. Dr. Reddish stated how proud she is of the Woodland staff as we do so much preparation for the PSSAs and our teachers will share with the other schools our prep for the teaching of the Core standards.

4/13-4/16 ELA

4/21-4/23 Math

4/27-4/28 Science

Our trees are up from the Growth/Foresight project so each student can see their growth. One more assessment will be done in March and the prizes will begin. H&S will ask for donations from the parents to donate these prizes as many parents may have these things in their homes already that they would be glad to recycle.

March 2 is Dr. Seuss Day.

9. Teacher's Report: Mrs. Ehmer stated the staff is working on how do we achieve our mission statement and get the students to want to be here. They discussed pep rallies, spirit days, and listening to their values. They will also do an online survey to parents and a staff survey at the end of Feb. There will also be questions for students on how can we help you be the best you can be? We will do a school messenger, sent with a link, for the survey.
10. School Board: No representative present.
11. Active Committee Reports:
  - a. 4<sup>th</sup> Grade PP&P went fantastic, great decorations, children were so well behaved and the scavenger hunt was a hit.
  - b. Building Beautification: Mrs. Ehmer has been working on the front of the building which is coming along nicely.
  - c. Cafeteria Volunteers are always needed and Kim Larcinese sends a Volunteer Spot monthly.
  - d. Community Service Tommy Avelar & Liz Drummond is still ongoing.  
  
Next gym nights are 2/20/15 and 3/20/14.
  - e. Father/Daughter Event Lisa McDonald & Michelle Petko will be beginning the planning and requesting a committee of volunteers to help, date of the event is 4/24/15. We are looking to do a more casual dance, maybe a beach or under the sea theme, craft station, volley ball with beach balls etc.
  - f. Family Game Night, Bingo, will be held 3/13/2015 and Erin Gamble and Roxanne Tims will be asking for prize donations.
  - g. Fundraising
    - i. Dining Out we received approx \$256.00 for Uno Fundraising and \$90.00 for Chick Filet. We will look into Via Roma and/or Tosco for March, Five Below for May and the Gelato place (Woodland family owned) for June.
    - ii. Fall/Spring Fundraiser, Lisa McDonald's cupcake fundraiser was a great success. We will be doing a bulb fundraiser perhaps next fall or spring.
    - iii. No-Effort Fundraiser, Susan Washburn reported we received \$309.93 from Giant and \$190.00 from Shoparoo.
  - i. Post Prom Support has some volunteers and will welcome more, Woodland will be decorating a boys' and girls' bathroom as Pink Floyd and Katy Perry. The walk though is April 24<sup>th</sup> the same day as the father daughter dance. We approved to have a separate line item and use \$100.00 of the budget towards Post Prom.

- j. Yearbook is still looking for parents to send in pictures as they compile the yearbook. The templates are done and the pictures are ongoing.
  - k. Welcome Wagon, Dr. Reddish stated we have a new 4<sup>th</sup> and K family and Kim Larcinese will welcome this new family to the school.
  - l. Book Swap, Betty Nascimento will get the flyer and will need 4 volunteers for the event. Each child is to swap 1 book. Liz Drummond also noted that Skyview is in need of books so maybe Woodland parents can work together to donate books to Skyview as well.
  - m. Fun Day we have cut the budget by \$500.00 but we may need to revisit this as we get closer to the date. We have reserved the bounce houses and photo booth. We still have to pay for the popcorn (approx \$50.00) and water ice (approx \$221.00). Fun Day will take place rain or shine with K & first grade on the inflatables the first half hour.
- 5. New Business, no report given.
  - 6. Closing, next month the meeting is scheduled for March 4, 2015 at 7:00 PM.