

Woodland Home & School Membership Meeting

Wednesday, February 8, 2017

9:15 am

In Attendance:

Elizabeth Drummond	Susan Washburn	Tommy Lynn Avelar	Katie Shireman
Altaira Heiser	Mary Fitzgerald	Deb Euker	Michelle Petko
Linda Ehmer	Margret Page	Rachael Packer	Beth Pfeifer
Angela Steele	Betty Nascimento	Bryna VanBlargan	Brenda Hackett
Nancy O'Connell	Dawn Pataki	Heather Gulsby-Steiner	

Barb Karagiannopoulos

1. Sign in and Welcome Introductions: Liz Drummond
2. Old Business: No business to report.
3. Recording Secretary's Report: No business to report.
4. President's Report: Elizabeth Drummond; , Post Prom Event , this year's theme is Aaround the World, Woodland is contributing a Belize themed bathroom and artistic volunteers are needed. An adult dinner dance fund raiser for the Post Prom event will be held on Saturday Feb 11th. The three co-chairs of the Post Prom event are graduating this year and so volunteers are needed to step into their roles.

Dawn Pataki is in attendance to speak about the massive coordination effort involved in planning this very important and wildly impressive and popular event for our high school students. She wishes to appeal to as many parent s as possible to get involved with the planning and execution of Post Prom going forward.
5. Vice Presidents' Report: Michelle Petko and Sue Washburn; No business to report.
6. Treasurer's Report: Altaira Heiser; New Mini grants requests; Mrs. Brower requests 20 kids stay and play ball chairs at a cost of \$324.36, Mrs. Ehmer requests \$40 for a step stool for the Backpack Program cabinet (Dedb Eukerhas offered to handle this request), Mrs. Carter requests a subscription for curriculum enhancement up to \$500, Miss Fisher requests 2 Lego We- Do core sets at a cost of \$180 each. Board will vote to approve these requests at a separate meeting in order to save time today.
7. Secretary's Report: Tommy Avelar and Mary Fitzgerald; No business to report.

8. School Board Representative Report: Brenda Hackett; A school consolidation meeting will be held on 2/6/17. The purpose of this meeting will be to review and discuss the final consultant report on the three basic closure ideas. A meeting to vote on school closure and consolidation will be held on February 21st, at 7pm. If the board doesn't vote on one of the three possibilities at this time then redistricting will be considered.

The districts School Resource Officer will change next month and the Lower Providence Police Departments's Officer Barber will no longer serve in this role. The district has outsourced this office to an independent security provider with the goal to better serve all of the Methacton schools, two officers will be provided and will be on duty during school hours.

State senate Bill to eliminate state property tax will be voted on in the coming month. This bill would eliminate the ability of the district to bill any more than 10% of property tax. Personal income tax will increase with this plan and Methacton school district will be negatively affected. Everyone is urged to find out more at www.psba.org There you will find information about the bill and about your representatives and which way they will likely vote.

9. Principal's Report: Deb Euker, This week is National Councilors Week and the staff and students will surprise Mrs. Ehmer today with a special acknowledgement of her role at Woodland.

Today is safety drill day and staff and students will review safety procedures and practice various drills.

Once the School Board has voted on possible school closures and redistricting on the 21st of this month, Dr serve will meet personally at each school to answer questions and help ease parents through the first leg of this transition. Woodland's date is tentatively set for the evening of the 23rd.

Deb Euker attended a P.U.L.S.E. workshop designed to enrich educators understanding and proficiency regarding Special Education laws and practices.

A special event for the teacher will take place on February 14th, ideas for this event include a chocolate fountain with fresh fruit and possible movie.

Wow! Words increase our student's vocabularies. This week's word is 'summarize' .

The question of the week in the lobby is currently "Why don't polar bears live in Antarctica?" The lobby is currently decorated with a continents of the world display.

10. Teacher's Report: None in attendance.

11. Active Committee Reports:
 - a) 4th Grade PP&P: Wonderful successful event!
 - b) 4th Social: Plans are under way. Heather Glulsby-Steiner needs pictures for the memory keepsake CD.
 - c) Art Goes to School: Date to be determined.
 - d) Art Festival: Betty Nascimento
 - e) Book Swap: Betty Nascimento, Will take place on March 1st. This year all students will receive a book regardless of whether or not they bring one.
 - f) Building Beautification: This committee is open for anyone interested. Deb Euker would like the courtyard to be usable this spring. Someone should contact facilities to discuss courtyard ideas and possibilities.
 - g) Cafeteria Volunteers: Tommy Avelar, A second volunteer slot has been added for each day giving more opportunity to parents who like to volunteer at lunchtime.
 - i) Community Service: Tommy Avelar and Liz Drummond, upcoming events, Family Gym Night and Spring Fever Raffle.
 - k) Family Game Night: Will be a H&S multi-person endeavor involving Bingo on 3/10/17
 - l) Father/Daughter Event: Plans are under way for 4/28/17.
 - m) Fun Day: Plans are underway for Woodland and Eagleville H&S will begin planning a yearly Fun Day event this year for students of that school.
 - i. Game Subcommittee is open for volunteers.
 - ii. A Homeroom Captain Liaison is needed.
 - iii. A Volunteer Coordinator is needed.
 - iv. Raffle Prize donations are needed.
 - n) Fundraising
 - i. Boxtops: Heather Gulsby-Steiner, MacKay's class one the last round. This is Heather's last year, Angela Steele has volunteered to serve in this role next year. The deadline for a Spring check is March 1st.
 - iv. No-Effort Fundraising: Sue Washburn
 - v. Dining Out: And Toasa and Altaira Heiser, Look forward to a Bertuci's night, coming soon.

- r) MCC Rep. Report: Liz Drummond, January's meeting involved defining various H&S roles and the volunteer nomination process. Woodland "Up Close and Personal" is scheduled on February 28th, and will take place during the regularly scheduled School Board Meeting at 7pm in the Methacton High-school LGI room.

Angela Lynch is working to streamline the various communication forms among the schools.

Special Education Alliance, next meeting will be held on March 6th in the HS library at 7pm

Community Building Committee, will assemble a volunteer base from each elementary school to plan a summer event for incoming Skyview 5th graders.

- v) Science Fair: Linda Troutman and Tommy Avelar, All set for February 22nd,
- ee) Year book: Julie Novia and Beth Pfeifer, They really need candid photos of students from each class. This year yearbooks will be able to be ordered online paper form format.

Our next meeting will be held Wednesday, March 1st at 7:00pm in the LGI room.

Please join us, we hope to see you there.