North Star PTA Meeting

Date/Time: May 22, 2017 7:00pm

Location: North Star Elementary Multi-Purpose Room

Attendance: Attendance sheet in Dropbox file

Agenda

Introduction and welcome
Voting on use of surplus funds
Guest speaker – Terri Jones
PTA board member updates
2017/2018 PTA Board Elections
Principal's/Assistant Principal's messages
Question and Answer Session
Meeting Adjourned

Board Member Presentations

President

Ann Pollock

Called meeting to order at 7:05pm.

The voting on the use of surplus funds will take place first.

Surplus vote:

Up to \$20,000

Results of the vote

Option 1: \$20,000 to be contributed towards the library / IT room revamp [26 votes]

Option 2: \$15,000 to be contributed towards the library / IT room revamp, and \$5,000 towards the outdoor classroom [to fund raised beds for grade level classes to use; and shade sails (plus installation)] [18 votes]

Option 3: \$20,000 to pay for the purchase and installation of an electronic sign outside of the school, with brickwork. Any leftover would then be contributed towards the outdoor classroom [3 votes]

Terri Jones did not manage to attend the meeting, but message from her, she would like to encourage all students to participate in summer reading program at the library.

We have filled all board and chair positions for 2017/2018. If you would like to volunteer the following year, please consider shadowing a board member to learn about the position before taking over in 2018/2019.

Please sign up to volunteer for Field Day which will be held on Friday, June 2nd. A sign-up genius will be available soon on the PTA website. We need a huge number of volunteers, so any help would be appreciated.

School supply kits include every item requested by the grade-level teams. Wishlist items can also be purchased. It is an easy way to shop for school supplies and a small portion of each purchase will benefit the school. Friday, June 30th is the last day to place orders.

Motion to approve the March 20th minutes made by Ann Pollock. The motion was seconded by Julie Alvarez and the minutes were approved.

Motion to approve the April 13th minutes was made by Zoe Harris. The motion was seconded by Kristen Dassel and the minutes were approved.

PTA reflections winners

PTA Reflections is the competition that promotes art/dance/photography/literature/film and music. This year's winners are as follows:

Primary Music Composition:

First Place at North Star AND First Place in Delaware: Jackson Williamson, 2nd Grade

Primary Film Competition:

First Place at North Star AND First Place in Delaware: Cody Williamson, 1st Grade

Intermediate Photography Competition:

First Place North Star: Christopher Pollock, 3rd grade

Second Place at North Star and First Place in Delaware: Alekhya Veeramachineni, 4th grade

Third Place in North Star: Christopher Pollock, 3rd Grade

Intermediate Visual Arts:

First Place North Star: Aarush Sudamalla, 3rd Grade

Intermediate Literature:

First Place at North Star AND First Place in Delaware: Srijay Chenna, 5th Grade

Second Place North Star: Alekhya Veeramachineni. 4th Grade

Third Place North Star: Anuradha Dole, 4th Grade

Honorable Mention North Star: Aarush Sudamalla, 3rd Grade

In addition to the above, Delaware PTA submitted five entries to National PTA for their 2018-2019 theme search contest and one of them was our very own: Srijay Chenna – 5th grade 'What if...'

Treasurer

Ann Pollock presented in Mary Ruth Nich's absence.

The Profit and Loss Actual vs. Budget was presented, along with the amounts to be gifted for various programs and supplies for the school. The art program will be gifted \$1000 (for materials and replacement rug), the library program will be gifted up to \$2000, and the school will be gifted \$5000 for a new poster maker. A motion to approve the gift for the art program was made by Ann Pollock. The motion was seconded by Zoe Harris and the motion was approved. A motion to approve the gift for the library was made by Kristen Roebke. The motion was seconded by Donna Stack and the motion was approved. A motion to approve the poster maker was made by Julie Alvarez. The motion was seconded by Kristin Freebery and the motion was approved.

The summer budget was presented and includes a deposit for skate night and other deposits for the early fall, school supply kits, spirit wear, staff appreciation, copying, instructional support, insurance, landscaping, tax work, and recess equipment. A motion to approve was made by Julie Alvarez. The motion was seconded Kristen Dassel and the motion was approved.

Please request reimbursements prior to June 30th.

The financial documents can be viewed on the PTA website.

Principal's/Assistant Principal's Messages

Mrs. Thomas

Thank you for contributing to the school community.

Installation of Board Members for 2016-2017

As PTA President, Ann Pollock performed the installation ceremony for next year's board members. The nomination slate for 2017-2018 is:

President – Kristen Roebke Vice President – Kristen Dassel Secretary – Frankie Kutsch Fundraising - Ashley Sokira Student Service - Cara Clucas Staff Support - Taresa Schmidt

The slate of board members was approved and elected.

Closing

You can keep up to date with PTA information by liking our Facebook page, signing up to receive e-news, and visiting nspta.com.

Have a great summer!

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45.