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### **ALLENWOOD PTG MEETING MINUTES**

**January 21, 2021**

**Meeting 7:00pm**

**(Via Zoom)**

#### **Attendees**

Individuals representing from the PTG Board included:

Lauren Galok: President

Megan Kirby McCay: Vice President

Nicole Inkrote: Second Vice President

Lauren Chasinov: Recording Secretary

Chrissy Byrnes: Corresponding Secretary

Jessica Baker: Treasurer

Individuals representing from the Allenwood Administration and Faculty included:

Dr. Erin B. O'Connell - Principal

Ms. Christine Piermattei- Kindergarten Teacher

Ms. Nancy Griffin- Kindergarten Teacher

Parents represented include: Kristen Coman

#### **Salute To The Flag**

Lauren led the group to the salute of the flag

**President's Report** - Lauren reflects on the PTG's end of year activities. The PTG held 3 community events, a coat drive, a blanket drive, and Toys for Tots Collection, 2 of these were new and recommended by Allenwood families. The PTG sponsored 2 Family Fun events that showed how we are able to think outside the box: the holiday cookie swap where 19 families participated by contributing 21 recipes and the kids cooking challenge which is currently underway this month. Lauren reminds everyone that all completed bingo boards for the cooking challenge need to be submitted by January 28th in order to be included in the raffle. The PTG is raffling off a cooking-themed basket and the winner will be announced on the 29th .

As Lauren included in the January newsletter, the PTG raised just over \$8,000.00 since the start of the school year. Looking at past years' reports, this is only a fraction of what has been raised in past, but assures everyone that this is on track with what the PTG anticipated and budgeted

for the school year, knowing that we could not hold all of our events. All financial reports are available to be viewed at anytime on the PTG website under the Treasurer tab and these reports are updated monthly.

There were many events that the PTG could not hold this year and Lauren will be reaching out to those committee heads to see if they would like to return next year in that role. In addition, some volunteers are “graduating” and the PTG will be looking for volunteers to take over these programs so they can continue to offer them next year. A few that come to mind are Yearbook, School Play, and the Art and Science Fair, and Mayfair. A complete list of all Committee Heads that will be needed for the start of next year will be posted soon. Anyone interested in taking over a committee can email Lauren (lgaok@awptg.org.)

And lastly, on behalf of the PTG, Lauren congratulated Mrs Van Benthuyzen on her retirement. “She is an important part of our Allenwood school community. She will be greatly missed and we wish her much happiness in retirement.”

#### Treasurer's Report:

<b>TREASURER REPORT 1.1.21</b>			
<b>Summary of Activity 11.20.20-1.21.21</b>			
<b>Deposits</b>			
<b>Source</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Interest Income	9.34	Teacher Reimbursement	100.00
Dragon's Den	1,345.14	Teacher of the Year Gift Cards	211.90
Discount Cards	485.00	Sunshine Committee - Staff Holiday Gifts	419.41
Holiday Ornaments (some sold with Dragon's Den as well)	113.52	2020 Holiday Allenwood Ornaments - purchase 100	400.00
Pie Sales	196.57	Delicious Orchards - Thanksgiving Pies 50%	1,566.88
Membership Dues	42.78	Cookie Swap - Baking set price	37.31
Refund Count Basie Theatre	335.00	Licenses to conduct raffle	25.00
Total	2,527.35		
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General Account Balance 1/21/21	\$52,483.10		
Playground Account Balance 1/21/21	\$228.05		

#### Principals Report:

Dr. O’Connell commented on the feedback given by teachers mentioning the support from parents and guardians has been instrumental in virtual school being successful. Nurse Kristen has worked tirelessly keeping our school safe and following health department guidelines. Dr. O’Connell stated that there has been a change in the guidelines regarding quarantine for students that have been in contact with a potential case in the building. For more information, contact Nurse Kristen. Teachers and staff are ready for the return of students on 1/27.

## **Committee's Reports/Updates**

### **Spirit Wear-** Presented by Lauren Chasinov

The winter/spring spirit wear will end 1/29. There are a lot of new options for winter including a new half quarter zip. Spring options include 2 new tie dye shirts. Pick up will be ready mid to end of February. Stay tuned to Facebook for pick up days and times. As a thank you to staff we have included a staff link where they can purchase items at cost.

### **Yearbook-** Presented By Kristen Coman

So far 122 yearbooks have been sold. A goal for the building is to reach at least 275 yearbooks sold. As of now 19 fifth grade ads have been purchased and there is still time to purchase a page dedicated to your fifth grader. The yearbook committee is looking for pictures to add to the yearbook. Please keep in mind pictures must include only students that attend Allenwood School. See Facebook for more details or email Kristen Coman.

### **Gertrude Hawk-** Presented By Lauren Galok

The Gertrude Hawk sale begins 1/25 and will go until 2/22. This year the sale is completely online and the PTG will earn 50% of all sales. No catalogs will be sent home in backpacks. Instead, Gertrude Hawk has provided the PTG with a flyer of instructions explaining how to order. These directions will be attached in this weekend's Dragon News email and will be on the PTG website. Orders can be shipped directly to your house for a UPS charge. There is also a free shipping option. You can choose this option from the drop down box at checkout. If you choose this option your order will be shipped to a central location, which in this case will be Mandy Roarty's house, which is our pick up location. Orders will arrive the week of March 22nd, right in time for Easter. At that time we will announce a specific pick up date and time. Please reach out to Mandy if you have any questions ([mroart14@gmail.com](mailto:mroart14@gmail.com).)

## **COMMUNITY EVENT- VALENTINE'S FOOD DRIVE**

The PTG is sponsoring a food drive next month, our 4<sup>th</sup> community event, from February 8<sup>th</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to Anna Vella for suggesting and organizing the drive. Donations will support the Manasquan Food Pantry. A flyer will be emailed and posted that lists specific items the pantry is in need of and drop off location as we get closer to those dates.

## **Announcements-**

- ❖ 1/18 Online Spirit Wear Sale begins
- ❖ 1/25 Gertrude Hawk Sale begins
- ❖ 1/28 Kids Cooking Challenge Bingo Boards due
- ❖ 1/29 Spirit Day
- ❖ 1/29 Yearbook Orders with Personalization due
- ❖ 1/29 Spirit Wear Orders due

- ❖ 2/8- 2/12 Food Drive
- ❖ 2/15 School Closed
- ❖ 2/20 Online Yearbook Orders due
- ❖ 2/22 Gertrude Hawk orders due

### **Adjournment**