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ALLENWOOD PTG Minutes

September 23, 2021

Meeting 7:00 PM

(School Cafeteria)

CALL TO ORDER

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

INTRODUCTION OF THE 2021-2022 EXECUTIVE BOARD

- ❖ President- Lauren Galok
- ❖ Vice President- Megan McCay
- ❖ 2nd Vice President- Nicole Inkrote
- ❖ Recording Secretary- Lauren Chasinov
- ❖ Corresponding Secretary- Chrissy Byrnes
- ❖ Treasurer- Jessica Baker

OFFICERS' REPORTS

President's Reports

Lauren Galok started the meeting off expressing her gratitude for the in person meeting. Please see notes below given by Lauren Galok.

"The Board worked hard over the summer to build an exciting calendar of events for our children to enjoy this year. I would like to thank our PTG volunteers that have helped us kick off this school year. I want to recognize Lauren Chasinov and Karen Lunder for organizing our Back to School Spirit Wear sale, Lauren Chasinov and Pieper Waitzel for organizing our Welcome Back Teacher Breakfast. And a special thanks to Lisa Curry and Panera for donating the coffee, Chrissy Byrnes for becoming our new Dining Out Coordinator and organizing Tuesday's ice cream social at Sundeas (we had a great turnout), Megan McCay for organizing our first mum plant

sale with L.B. Forcellati and Sons Nursery and the Forcellati family, Nicole Inkrote for running the Restaurant Discount Card sale that we partner with Old Mill and West Belmar to sell, Ally Blumenthal is our new BYOP coordinator and is currently planning a great event and you'll hear a little about that during her committee report, and Doreen Werdann and Alicia Piccinnini for becoming our new yearbook coordinators. They have been working very hard behind the scenes with Jostens and are collaborating on some great ideas they have for this year's book that I think we are all going to love. It's because of you and all our volunteers that we are able to offer students and families our great programs. So thank you for all your time and energy.

And speaking of volunteers. Our PTG Family Membership Drive is off to a great start. 40% of our families have joined so far. Later tonight we will be pulling the name of the family who will win 2 BYOP wristbands as part of our early registration special. For anyone not yet registered, you still have until next Thursday, September 30th, to join. And next week we will also announce the grade with the highest percentage of registered families. They will win a gift card for their homerooms. We anticipate our Family Directory will be available October 15th. It will be posted on the PTG website at www.awptg.org under the Membership tab. It is password protected. PTG members will be emailed the password once the Directory is finalized. I will also start sending the PTG's weekly Dragon News email beginning October 4th. So anyone who checked off that box on the membership form will receive the weekly updates. And last, we are still looking for 2 committee heads each for our Theater Club and Mayfair committees. For Theater Club, the coordinators partner with Ms. Little and Mr. Vasile on a production of their choosing and help organize the student rehearsal schedules. Mayfair is our carnival-like event in May full of games, prizes, food, and entertainment. We do have sub-committee members already in place but we still need two parents to lead the event and coordinate with sub-committee members. If anyone is interested or has any questions, please email me."

President's Reports

Megan McCay began the meeting by giving an update on the Mum fundraiser. We earned about \$1700. This fundraiser was a success and a feel good fundraiser because it supported an Allenwood family business. Surfs Up Candle fundraiser begins 10/4-10/15.

Principal's Report

Dr. O'Connell began the meeting by thanking the Allenwood teaching staff, custodial staff, and Nurse Kristen for an amazing opening. She thanked the teacher appreciation committee for the welcome back breakfast. She touched on Covid protocols and mentioned quarantined students are eligible for live streaming. Standardized tests will occur for 4-5th grade at the beginning of October over a span of 2 days for Language Arts and Math. Lunch in the cafeteria is on rotation between eating in the classroom and cafeteria.

Treasurer's Report:

Summary of Activity 8.1.21-9.22.21				
Deposits		Expenses		
Source	Amount	Description	Amount	
PTG Membership Dues	2,268	Orientation - bags, magnets, and fliers	695	
Fall Mum Sale	2,978	Fall Mum Purchases from L.B. Forcellati	1,274	
Spirit Wear Sales	821	Spirit Wear Purchase	358	
Boo Bags	1,254	4th & 5th Grade Assignment Pads	440	
Amazon Smile	30	Welcome Back Breakfast	289	
LifeTouch Pictures Commission 2020-2021	1,964	Scholarship Winner	500	
Refund - Jostens Yearbook credits	958	Website Annual Fees	480	
Interest Income	4	Bank Deposit Tickets	75	
Total	10,277	Total	4,110	
General Account Balance 9/22/21	\$51,159.13			
Playground Account Balance 9/22/21	\$228.21			

Committee Reports:

Spirit Wear: Presented by Lauren Chasinov. Please see notes below.

We had a great fall sale, with a lot of new fun additions. Tie Dye continues to be a fan favorite. Our new Sherpa with an embroidered school name was popular.

- We made a profit of about \$750.00 in addition we profited another \$200 for kindergarten orientation
- We hope to do another sale around November to get holiday shopping in. Spirit Wear is always online so look on facebook and pay attention to the remind blasts to get information.
- Thank you to Chrissy for posting and getting the word out.
- I do have a backstock of some youth small and medium if anyone missed the sale. Reach out through email.
- And finally if there is anything that someone wants to see more of or ideas on any new additions Karen and I are always looking to improve the products.

Halloween Events: Presented by Lauren Galok and Ally Blumenthal. Lauren updated on Boo Bags. Boo Bags- we are sold out of our 150 bags. Front porch delivery will be October 8th. If you signed up to be on the Boo Crew to deliver bags, we will be emailing you next week.

BYOP : Presented by Ally Blumenthal. Ally is looking for donations of candy and allergy safe items. She is looking for volunteers to serve as trunk decorators.

Wristbands are \$10 for presale and \$15 day of. There will be a DJ, bake sale, hay ride and a costume contest.

Allergy Awareness: Presented by Sharon Zanette. Safety fair will be held in June. It is a great event and brings awareness to many topics. Sharon shared the importance of touching base with Nurse Kristen when food enters the classroom. Food lists need to be given to Nurse Kristen a week before parties for approval.

Scholastic Book Fair: Presented by Lauren Chasinov. Book Fair will be held Oct 12-14th for in person shopping. Shopping the fair helps our school earn scholastic dollars to purchase a subscription for our book crates. Flyers will go home for parents and students to write a wish list and bring with them to shop. Cash and Checks are forms of payment accepted.

Community Events: Presented by Lauren Galok. The PTG will be sponsoring 4 events this year: A clothing drive in October, coat drive in December, towel and blanket drive for an animal shelter in February, and a food drive in April. We will also be hosting a Toys for Tots collection starting in November.

Free Money Programs: Presented by Lauren Galok. We have 3 programs this year. Box Tops, led by Melissa Cullen, which are now digital through the Box Tops App, and Amazon Smile. The PTG earns 0.5% of your everyday purchases and Amazon directly deposits those funds into our account. New this year is a collaboration between Lifetouch and Shutterfly. They have joined forces to create an Allenwood Shutterfly Storefront where Shutterfly will donate 8% of sales to the PTG from purchases such as photo books and gifts. So with school

pictures starting to come back, this might be a good opportunity to create gifts or even holiday cards with those pictures. Details for these programs are on the PTG website.

QUESTIONS?/ COMMENTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ 9/24 Spirit Day
- ❖ 9/24 Mum Plant Sale pick up, 3-7pm
- ❖ 9/30 Boo Bag orders due
- ❖ 9/30 PTG Membership Drive ends

- ❖ 10/1 BYOP/ Trunk or Treat wristbands go on sale
- ❖ 10/4- 10/8 Week of Respect- wear spirit wear on 10/4
- ❖ 10/4- 10/15 Surf's Up Candle Sale
- ❖ 10/11 School Closed- Staff In-Service
- ❖ 10/11- 10/15 Clothing Drive
- ❖ 10/12- 10/14 Scholastic Book Fair Shopping Days (during school as determined by teacher)
- ❖ 10/22 BYOP/ Trunk or Treat, 5:30-7pm

Next PTG Meeting will be held Thursday, 10/21/2021 at 7:00PM in the

cafeteria

ADJOURNMENT