

Scott School PTA Meeting

March 21, 2017 7:00pm

1. **Call to Order:** Mary-Ann McCurry called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Jill Petraca made the first motion to approve the February 2017 minutes. Michelle Prendergast seconded the motion. A vote was taken and all approved the February 2017 minutes.
3. **Mrs. Bolano:**
 - PARCC testing: 4/3-5/22
 - NECAPP testing: April 9th, 10th, and 11th
 - Last day of school: 6/23 due to snow days.
4. **Correspondence:** Thank you notes from Ms. Nelson and her whole class thanking the PTA for The Brain Show. (gr. 4)
5. **Budget/Michelle Prendergast:**
 - Family dance: \$594.98 profit
 - Calendar raffle: \$3,560 profit
 - Brain Show: \$1,650 spent
 - Bus driver appreciation: \$95.86 spent
6. Next Warwick Council PTA meeting in October.
7. **PTA board elections:** April 25th, still struggling to find volunteers for board members.
8. Spring Convention: April 6th, 6 board members going. Being held at the Radisson Hotel in Warwick. There will be a vendors showcase before the meeting.
9. 2017/2018 school calendar posted to the Warwick public schools page and also the Scott School Facebook page.
10. **Boxtops/Kelli Lagasse:** total for the year is \$1,004
11. **Labels for Education:** using all the points banked to get Visa gift cards.
12. Family Dance: Held at Winman Jr. High on 3/10 from 6:30-9:00pm, DJ, Photobooth. Families had a great time!
13. **Robotics Program:** Students from Tollgate High School came and worked with 6th grade students for 4 days, went very well.
14. **Brain Show:** cost \$1,650. Teachers and students loved it, requested it for every year!
15. **Reading Week:** Open your world to Reading!
 - Kick off assembly
 - Students turned in passport tickets for time read
 - Landmarks of the world board
 - Turn off technology night
 - Mystery readers for the 2nd grade were the Cardi brothers (NiRoPe)
 - Drop everything and read when they heard the sound of a dog barking.
 - Vocabulary Parade: words from around the world.
16. **Calendar Fundraiser:** \$3,560 was raised. Top sellers won a pizza party with Mrs. Bolano and Mary-Ann McCurry.
17. **Bus Driver Appreciation:** \$95.86 spent, ended up under budget.

18. **Walk-a-thon:** Hasbro Children's Hospital/Sherburne Technology Fund 50/50 donation. April 28th. Later in the afternoon there will be an Arbor Day celebration with a planting of a tree with the Mayor of Warwick, Scott Avedisian. Top fundraisers from the walk-a-thon will be participating in the Arbor Day tree planting.
19. **Drum Program:** 4 weeks starting the week of April 25th. Free and open to all grades, taking up to 60 students.
20. **Open Items:**
 - Mary-Ann McCurry: Funds for school improvements were denied to schools at first but approved at last night's school committee meeting. Urges people to attend school committee meetings to be informed and to be a voice for the schools and students.
 - PTAs mission to go to meetings and stay informed.
 - John Szymkowiz: would like to run an afterschool photography program for older students.
 - Nadine Johnson: Bill Harley as a possible cultural arts program.
21. **Mary-Ann McCurry:** changes to by-laws: Mrs. Bolano will no longer sit on the board but will stay on checkbook for convenience. Nominations committee: elections held at next meeting.

30 day notice of upcoming vote to change the by-laws.

Adjourned at 8:05pm.