

## PTA Meeting – 7:00 P.M.

October 4, 2017

1. **Call to Order:** Mary-Ann McCurry called meeting to order at 7:07 P.M.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Nadine Johnson made the first motion to approve the August board meeting minutes. Michelle Prendergast seconded the motion. A vote was taken and all approved the May minutes.
3. **Mrs. Bolano update:**
  - a. Warwick is short on substitute teachers which is a nationwide problem. The new art teacher is currently deployed and due to return 10/30. Until then we might not have enough subs to cover art.
  - b. The next School Committee meeting is 10/10.
  - c. Yellow jacket bees have been noticed near the dumpsters. Maintenance could not find a hive. Maintenance has requested either a new dumpster or new dumpster lids.
  - d. A flu clinic will be held at Toll Gate on 10/24 from 4-6:30 P.M.
  - e. PARCC results will be distributed 10/6.
4. **Michelle P./Budget Approval:** The proposed budget for the 2017-2018 school year was reviewed. Jill Petrarca made the first motion to approve the 2017-2018 PTA budget. Heidi Lavalley seconded the motion. A vote was taken and all approved the 2017-2018 PTA budget.
5. **Yearbooks:** A question was raised about if we would have yearbooks this year. Yearbooks require a great deal of volunteer time. The volunteers must also make sure that students who do not have consent to be photographed are not in the yearbook. Luigi Castelli will look into alternatives to see if it is feasible to have a yearbook and if it is cost effective.
6. **Diana G./Correspondence:** Diana read and passed a thank you card from Hasbro Children's Hospital for the money raised during the walkathon. Miss Nelson's class from last school year also sent thank you cards.
7. **Sara B. & Hillary R./Membership update:** We currently have 124 PTA members. We had 85 at this time last year.
8. **Heidi L. & Kelli L./Volunteer Update:**
  - a. The book fair went well and raised \$858.36. We could have a spring book fair if we find a volunteer to help run it.
  - b. Going forward using Sign-up Genius will give volunteers a better idea of specific days and time slots when help is needed.

**9. Mary-Ann M./Upcoming Events:**

- a. Mary-Ann ordered 50 stuffed Scott School Scottie dogs and they should arrive at the end of October. This is not a fundraiser and dogs will be sold in the \$10-15 range.
- b. Socktober has started and will continue through October. This is a Feinstein School event.
- c. School Committee meeting is 10/10 at Toll Gate.
- d. Kevin Robinson will be here 10/18 at 1:00.
- e. Calendar raffle has started and will be sold through October.
- f. Mary-Ann is submitting a grant to the Warwick Department of Human Services for an after school program. She will request a grant for a lego program called Snapology. Each week a different grade could have 20 kids participate Monday through Thursday in this after school program. Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade would meet for an hour each afternoon and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and up would meet for 75 minutes. One parent volunteer from each grade is needed to coordinate that grade's week.

**10. Nadine J./Recording Delegate:**

- a. RI PTA meetings are 10/10, 1/9, 3/20, 5/15, 7/10 at 7:00 P.M.
- b. Warwick Council PTA meetings are 10/16, 1/24, 4/26 at 6:30 P.M.
- c. RI PTA Convention will be in April 2018.

**11. Kelli L./Boxtops:** Our boxtops goal for the year is \$1200. So far \$478.70 has been collected. The next submission is 11/1.

**12.** Next meeting will be November 16 at 7:00 P.M.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:14 P.M.**