



PTA Parish Hill PHACT



Attending: Lisa LaBelle, Shannon Haddad, Karen McElroy, Michelle Bolduc, Steven Werth, Christine Werth, Dylan Werth, Tracy Dunn, Debi Wills, Gracie Martin, Kim Martin, Darcy Baron, Janice Benedict, Kyle Benito, Melissa Benito

Notes recorder and preparer – Karen McElroy

Meeting Notes

9/12/17

Next meeting in October 10, 2017 – (Second Tuesday of each month) in the PHMHS Library – 6pm

- Introductions
- Review of PHACT Mission Statement
- Financial Report – reviewed report dated 9/12/17
- Membership drive – new members in October will be asked for dues–
 - T.Dunn noted since she was a member of the PTA she got a home and auto discount
- Yoga – starting again 9/25 - \$10 a class - \$64 for 8 week session– if paid by 9/22/17 only \$60 for the entire session
 - New Scotland community member willing to do fitness classes-L.LaBelle is looking into this
- Judy Moulton from Scotland – Working with Mr. Miller to recruit students willing to write for the Scotland paper.
- Podium sign and entry way reworking – Podium sign approximate cost if purchased by PTA - @ \$150-also PTA will consider helping to decorate the new entry way to enhance welcoming feel - possibly canvas pictures, trophies, plaques – sports and arts memorabilia, etc... K. Martin is heading this committee.
- Billboard – update to celebrate 50th anniversary and Homecoming - about \$350
 - Lighting is poor – new solar lights? We will look into more information. Shannon will look into the contract to see if adequate night lighting is included. If not – maybe we purchase and install for an extra month. Currently billboard is paid for until January. Will order new banner when Callie returns.
- Reviewed “Within Reach” program sponsored by PTA. Possible community Art show. Need to coordinate dates and confirm. Maybe combine with concerts date.? M. Bolduc (Chaplin), S. Haddad (Hampton) and K. McElroy (Scotland) to be in touch with elementary schools once details are flushed out. Discussed thumb drive or actual art submissions vs. actual performances to simplify. L. LaBelle to follow up.
- Domestic Violence Grant –H. Victoria informed the group – grant ends in December but there may be flexibility. Focused on staff development – healthy relationships. 1 hour and ½ for teacher in-service. Separate grant available for school wide assembly. D. Baron will facilitate with H. Victoria. Assembly tabled until next month. D. Baron to follow up with H.Victoria regarding setting up Oct/Nov PD for PHMHS on Domestic Violence. McElroy to follow up facilitating with Domestic Violence in-service with EASTCONN.



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- 7/8th grade student council – Ms. Griffin gave details -Movie Night (7th/8th) and Trunk or Treat (PTA). October 27th. 6-6:30 Trunk or Treat – Movie at 6:30pm. Student council to make flyers. PTA to help get flyers out to 3 middle school. Need to coordinate with 3 elementary schools. Darcy to send to PTA.
- Homecoming – Mrs. Griffin said there is a school committee. In addition, to the Booster Club led by M. Bolduc, is also organizing some events. – Mrs. Griffin reported - pictures, deed, old flyers – interviews, PowerPoint, play to be displayed? Boosters - Oct 7th – during girls' soccer game – recognizing classes 69'-72'. D> Baron to have Matt coordinate transcripts and share with M. Bolduc. Bolduc acquiring 69' and 70' yearbook. Pep band will be involved – fight song (Tedeschi's idea). 25th anniversary has a "fight" song. Perhaps song can rework by presented. Possibly alumni from choral/band may want to participate.

Bonfire on October 6th run by Booster Club at 6:30 – Smore's (J. Benedict doing S'mores for PTA – PTA will reimburse) – K. McElroy and D. Baron securing – speakers, projector and screen after M. Bolduc runs idea by Tedeschi. Grease was discussed as possible movie as well as having kids wear sports uniforms and/or school colors for the bonfire. Community will be encouraged by Boosters' notice to bring a picnic dinner. K.McElroy to secure 3 fire pits with the fixings from PTA for Smore's. (Bolduc and Dunn are willing to lend theirs – just need one more).

Homecoming Court – Friday announcement at half-time. Game starts 3:45. Boldoc/Baron - staff to nominate boy/girl etc.. then students will vote. Senior class – dance. Long weekend – chaperone's - pink ladies? Saturday – food trucks at the game. Game at 2pm on the 7th. Refer to Parish Hill Website for itinerary.

- Grant Writing –We will put S. Smarden in touch with Matt Flagert from PHS.
- Family Paint night – Mrs. G – art teacher opened studio – we will investigate hiring her to run the evening– S. Haddad will follow up. Consider Vineyard in Scotland for Parent paint night.
- Lunch staff – celebrate staff in cafeteria – 10/11-10/14 – school lunch week. After group discussion decided on an edible arrangement and 4 gift cards - was agreed on \$25 Applebee's. Delivery on Thursday, Oct 12.
- Discussed increasing student involvement – make sure student know they are welcome. D. Baron to facilitate.
- Discussed Washington, D.C. fundraising with Kathy Freed. How can PTA members help? We cannot make it fully part of PTA since it is all fundraising only event. Washington for 8th grade – Croatia trip –all grades, Canada trip – maybe this year or next year. T. Dunn asked about tour companies and stated it may be confusing for the tour companies to divide money for students who participate in the fund raising. Suggested seeing if K. Freed can attend the next meeting. Anyone who is willing to help for Kathy is welcome. Contact PTA and we will get you in touch with Kathy.
- Open House this Thursday – 8/14/17– volunteers for our booth are welcome!



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- Knitting club – T. Dunn – offered to lead a free knitting club– 8 people max – students supply their own materials –Tracy will contact Matt to get on the PHMHS calendar. We will post on Happenings on the Hill and PTA Website.

