



PTO/PHACT Meeting Notes
November 9, 2016 6:07pm

Attending: Lisa LaBelle, Darcy Baron, Gracie Martin, Kim Martin, Shannon Haddad, Michelle Bolduc, Tracey Dunn, Michael Quick, Prentice Tracy, Brian Tedeschi Callie Mihok

Notes taken by Summarized and typed by Michelle Bolduc and Lisa LaBelle

🍏 **PHACT PTA Bank Account-**

- Lisa Labelle and Shannon Haddad set up a new PTA BANK account at the Savings Institute. There is an available balance of \$1160.42 minus the \$44.50 for the PTA dues.

🍏 **Membership-**

- Bumper stickers will be given out with membership to the PTA for \$6. It was reported that to date we have 8 members, however several additional applications and dues were collected at the meeting.

🍏 **Updates-**

- **Trunk or Treat** was a successful event. A note was sent to the PTA from Joy Griffin and Joe Dufrat thanking us for helping out. We will plan to continue the event next year.
- **Whitehouse family**-A card and gift card were sent in an extension from the Charity Bed Race held in September to show our support to our community members.
- **Letter to the community**-Lisa Labelle drafted a to go to the senior centers and churches offering service to the community i.e. raking leaves
 - Action item: Shannon and Michelle to follow up with Hampton and Chaplin church.
- **Yoga**-Set to begin on Monday, Nov 14 from 7:15-8:15. 8 weeks with dates Nov14, 21,28 Dec 5,12,19 Jan 9, 23
 - Action item: Lisa will look into using a classroom. Lisa will also check in with instructor about making up the 2 classes over winter break.
- **Billboard**-Mr. Tedeschi offered input to include top 3rd of CT HS 2016 other suggestions were heard. Final draft needs to be approved by Lessinger soon so it can be sent to the printer.
 - Action Item: Callie will make suggested changes and get back to the group Shannon will follow up to see if solar lights are working.
- **Paint and Sip**-KC is checking on dates for the Chaplin Firehouse and will get back to Shannon. Looking to hold the event early December.
- **Rustic Marketing**-We will hire to do one month for \$189.00. Michael will draw up invoice before next meeting. We formed a committee to come up with ideas for ads: Shannon Haddad, Kim Martin, Callie Mihok, and Lisa LaBelle. Plan to run add in the month of January.
 - Darcy will follow up with Carissa Wilson from Scotland about possibly creating an ad for us on facebook while waiting for our add to be run in January
- **Postcards**: Need more funds. On hold.

🍏 **New business:**

- **PTA representation at the Parent Teacher conference at the elementary schools.** Provide information to parents and students transitioning to PHHS next year.
 - SES Nov 9th, 10th. Melissa Benito, Janice Benedict, Sherry and Michael Sarden, Kim Martin (and their children represented).
 - HES: Nov 17th, 18th Kathy Freed representing
 - CES: Nov 21st, 22nd Michelle Bolduc, Annie Poudrier
- **Ossen Foundation Grant** opportunity-Darcy will follow up

- **Social Media-Fun PHACT Friday**- provide a Did you know... each Friday on FB. Make sure we all share it to build traction.
- **Teacher requests**
 - Ms. Egan requested videos from Smithsonian, Discovery or National Geographic related to science.
 - Ms. Griffin- Chromebooks for all students
 - Music teachers are hoping for support at concerts and plays
 - Discussed homework passes for students attending and extra points for chorus and band students who attend the other's concert
- **Willimantic Chamber of Commerce.** Should we become members? Benefits would be to network with local companies, publicize, etc. Lisa L to talk to member more about benefits to the school
- Hampton Historical Society is holding an event **"It's a Pirates Life"**. Nov 20th at 2:00. Attendance is being encouraged
- Tammie Jacobson is trying to bring back **Safe Grad**. PTO offered to help by volunteering time and possibly helping with cost if necessary.
- **Honoring Corporate Sponsors** at Band concert-Since Uconn will be at the band concert we thought it would be the best crowd to honor our sponsors with certificates of appreciation. Need to get certificates made (maybe framed). United Abrasives, Chaplin Package Store (Shannon will contact), Woodward Greenhouse.

🍏 Fundraising

- Mr. Tracy and Callie Mihok talked about new dugouts and scoreboards. Discussion to team up with the Booster Club to fundraise for those items.
- **iPad raffle-**
 - Hold the drawing at the winter band and chorus concert.
 - Action item: Lisa will fill out state form. Callie will create the raffle tickets
- **Follett Challenge**
 - Karen M will spearhead and point of contact from the school will be Mr. Proudly
- **Pear Foundation-**
 - Lisa will ask Kathy Freed to look into this fundraiser

Next Meeting: Tue Dec 13th, 2016 6:00pm in the PHMHS Library