



## **PHACT PTSA**

January 8, 2019

6pm-7:15pm in the PHMHS Library

Attendees- Mr. Prouty, Mr. Tedeschi, Lisa Labelle, Heather Victoria, Kim Martin, Ben Card, Gracie Martin, Heather Hartley, Darcy Baran, Michelle Collins, Diane Lemire, Tina Poulin

1. Approval of December minutes- approved
2. Recent Accomplishments
  - a. Facebook Grant- We were 1 out of 200 schools that were awarded the PTA Facebook Digital Families Community Event Grant for \$1,000. We will plan something for an evening in April.
  - b. Reflections opening night at the Eastbrook Mall Art Gallery-Well attended. Apparently it was one of the most well attended openings at the mall yet.
  - c. Youth Mental Health First Aid completed- teachers completed 8 hours of YMHFA training and received certificates. The feedback on the training was positive.
  - d. Adopt a family- contribution went to 3 families.
  - e. Music Department bake sales- \$160 raised at the band concert and \$178 at the chorus concert.
  - f. Community Family Support- helping a family in need.
3. Membership Report- 102 members. Need another 118 members to receive the One Voice Award. Ask family, friends, neighbors, community members, businesses, teachers to join today. Can sign up children too which is what designates us a PTSA.
4. Treasurer Report provided
5. Old Business
  - a. School of Excellence Survey- waiting to hear back from the CT PTA, survey results looked good, one area rated slightly lower was regarding the signage at the school.
  - b. Windham Chamber of Commerce- Will renew membership. Diane Nadeau to come to a future meeting to review membership benefits.
  - c. Meeting with State Representative- waiting on confirmation from Doug Dubitsky.
  - d. Legislative Breakfast- will invite State Representative Doug Dubitsky.
6. Committee Reports
  - a. Reflections- see update given under Recent Accomplishments.
  - b. Appreciation and Recognition- Letters needed for Outstanding Admin Awards. Planned ½ way staff luncheon.
  - c. Media- Lisa and Michelle to submit articles.
  - d. Health and Wellness- Say Something Program through Sandy Hook Promise encourages students to say something if they see, hear or know something concerning since almost



- all acts of violence had at least 1 person who saw signs. There is a week in February dedicated to the Say Something Program. YMHFA training for 30 community members to be scheduled.
- e. Fairs and Festivals- Will work with the sophomores who are hosting this year's Spring Fling, date to be determined. Heather to follow up with Callie to secure food trucks.
  - f. Fundraising- nothing new to report
7. New Business- a) Chaplin Fire Department hosting their fundraiser at Chaplin's Z Best Pizza on 2/19/19. b) QR code has expired. c) March 21st, 2019 Red Cross Blood drive- discussed importance of increasing donors and competition ideas (win an ice cream party). Will advertise through the Windham Chamber of Commerce.
8. Open Discussion-
9. Next meeting February 12th at 6pm

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