

#1 PTO Meeting 9/15/15

**PTO Meeting Tuesday 9/15/15 9 AM Adjourned 10:20 am**

**Attendants**

- New folks
- Total 17 attendants

**Background checks**

- State added an addendum to law - vendors are visitors not volunteers and do NOT need clearances as long as they sign in and someone is accountable for them
- Mr. G will follow up for authors

**PTO coordinator/liaison/partnership (Michelle)**

- Post prom - can set up or volunteer for anything. Need volunteers to keep post prom going.
- Flyer handed out. Can go online to volunteer. Or contact Cathy Stillitano [volunteer4postprom@gmail.com](mailto:volunteer4postprom@gmail.com)
- CAC meetings - 2nd Thursday's of the month. 1 1/2 hour meetings. Ingrid and Bonnie Laudenslager will volunteer to go.
- [Monday 9/21](#) PTO president meeting
- [November 4, 2015 9 am](#) at AD building. PTO Board meeting across all PTOs

**Volunteer sign in**

- Change location on sign in sheet if here for multiple things

**PTO Website**

- Launched 1 yr ago
- New this year is volunteer hour logs for district luncheon. Tab called "report volunteer hours". Can be time at or out of school for PTO. Meetings count at volunteer hours.

**NOTC**

- [5-7 pm](#)
- Dunk tank is new with celebrity teachers
- New spirit wear debut (arriving [9/21](#))
- Waiting on Vince's Cheesesteaks
- Chik Fil A is no longer a consideration
- See if Taza food truck (middle eastern) is available

**Classroom coordinator**

- Previous years 1 per class to organize trip and volunteers and chaperons. Was not working as well so we now have 1 for the school- Jan Yellets - she will organize a SUG for the office and they will send out to all of the parents in the appropriate grade. Has worked well over the year.
- 48 hours window to sign up. After that random person will be selected to be fair to all parents. If parent was selected for previous opp, then that person's name will be held back for the next opp unless it is difficult to get volunteers

**PTO Sponsorship**

- 70 sponsors to date
- \$1495.00 to dat
- Purpose is to support PTO without or in addition to participating in PTO fundraising activities

**Coupon books**

- Bins under the chairs in the office for envelopes and books. Organized by grades.
- Only youngest child gets if more than one child in school
- Can write one check for both. But order form has to be included.

**Cookie dough fundraiser**

- [Oct 9](#) - mid Nov
- Amy Benninger will check if still doing soup
- Planning on having samples at open house

**Assemblies - Nicole Miles**

- Need new ideas - can email [assemblies@kernsvillepto.com](mailto:assemblies@kernsvillepto.com)
- First idea is Chippy Chipmunks - author for the fall or Earth Day - Kathy Miller
- Let's Play Books in Emmaus - we are on her emergency list if she has authors that are available during the day. May have October/November opportunity. They are at no charge.
- Have reached out to teachers for more of a collaboration
- Melanie Tsahouris will reach out to Nicole with a drama/interactive idea
- Pop ups suggestion to Nicole by Jennifer Korman

**Fundraising report - no report**

**Treasurer's report**

- \$56,000 just over bottom line
- We usually have a pad of \$30,000
- With surplus we would like to give a bigger gift to the school
- Bank statement passed around for those interested

**Principal's report**

- Thank you for smooth opening
- Mrs. Yehl will be PTO liaison
- Mrs. Ketzl and Mrs. Keller new kindergarten teachers after Mrs. Brown resigned to relocate
- Mrs. Dotter will return after end of first marking period
- PSSA results will be coming in and letter to not worry about lower scores
  - 3,4,5 th grade Kernsville was first in parkland sd
  - PSD was best in Lehigh valley
  - Staff and kids have worked hard and have done very well
  - PSSA prep (Kernsville and Jaindl) will be offered 6 weeks before tests - district supported last year. For them to support this year they need Mr. G to show data that it helped.
  - We are not just teaching to prepare for the test but our goal is to teach kids how to use the skills for the test outside of the test.
- Double lock system to get into building. There are two cameras at each buzzer
- Bullying/positive behavior class meetings to happen once a month. K-8.
- Mrs. Ganguzza printed Coco and Mr. Smith pasted him onto wood. Displayed in lobby.
- Every class got a paw print to paste on bulletin board
- Full day kindergarten possible to start next year 2016 - district wide
- Re districting happening for 2016. If effected we will know by Christmas 2015
  - We are growing a lot at Jaindl and Fogelsville so we may shift more kids to Schnecksville. Anything on 309 will probably go to Schnecksville.

**Next meeting [Tuesday October 13, 2015 - 7 pm](#)**