

Fawn Hollow PTO Meeting
Monday November 12, 2018 7 PM

Attendance: Mike Rubin, Kate Goyette, Jaime Geisel, Rachel Pol, Elizabeth Richer, Bill Mercier, Nicole Morgenthalek, Shannon Jackson, Nichole Bierut, Jeanette Combs, Laura Josephson, Tori Wash, Jessica Lauer, Kate Domack, Tim Piedmont, Jack Zamary, Joe Kobza, Casey McCormick, Jackie Mondo, Lori Kostopoulos, Lisa LeBlanc, Becky Kosisko, Melissa Stenthal, Tim Dunham, Amy Simmons, Sam Bahaman, Jen Connolly, Jennifer Hughes, Laura Harbron, Jay Sheehan

- **President's Welcome/Report: Mike Rubin**
- **A word with the Superintendents**
 - Superintendent Jack Zamary:
 - Voices will be used more now that the Courier is closed
 - search is underway for a new principal at Monroe El
 - STEM enrollment: the middle school number of students is decreasing so they are looking at program and spacing and considering best plan for future
 - looking into health insurance options for the district
 - Joe Kobza Assistant superintendent:
 - Partnering with the Monroe Police Department on a program for digital footprint and electronic safety and what parents should look for that their kids are doing on line.
 - Internet safety talk at Jockey Hollow November 28 6:30
 - Anonymous alerts app reporting system. Text messaging system for kids/parents to communicate with admins and principals
 - Jan 11 and Feb 14 half day at high school in preparation for accreditation visits

Principal's Report: Becky Kosisko

- Lori Koustapolis and Lisa Le Blanc attended the meeting
- Professional Development days November 5, 6 at Fawn Hollow learned how to teach our students to be mindful/deal with anxiety deep breathing
- Thanked PTO volunteers who helped with vision screening and veterans day breakfast

- Picture retakes tomorrow
- Noetic math test tomorrow
- Progress reports go out next Tuesday
- Conference portal open Thursday afternoon, evening 11/29, 11/30 afternoon, 12/3. Book fair during conferences
- Turkey Trot is Monday
- TC staff developer here today
- Kindergarten and first graders morning program Dec 11 on supporting your beginning reader
- Dec 5 Jill Sylvestro state teacher of the year award

Parent Council Representative:

- Next sat morning chat w/ superintendent 12/1/18 10
- Monroe playground foundation looking for sponsors for new playground
- Monroe El parents night out 2/9/19 all welcome
- Stepney had a successful walkathon
- Monroe Harlem wizard game 3/23 open to all

Treasurer's Report:

- Fall fundraiser and opt out donations did well
- Company matching donations down this year
- Teacher material reimbursements being worked on

1st VP: Sam Bahamon and Jess Britto

- Fall fundraiser- need help sorting and distributing the items
- Pickup Wednesday and Thursday nights
- Made about \$5200!

Veterans Breakfast:

- Very successful

Giving Tree: Kate G

- Tags ready
- Deadline for tags back 12/7
- Trees up this week
- Sort at town hall, adults only
- Volunteers needed

Mini Grants: Kate G

- Application deadline Dec 19
- Will vote on recipients in Jan
- Should we give preference to PTO members was discussed
- Should we change month due next year discussed
- Send message to room reps that they can help the teacher with application
- \$1700 scholastic dollars might be helpful as another resource

Talent Show: Shannon G

- informational meeting tonight
- 4th and 5th grades only

Holiday Boutique: Nichole Beruit

- donations needed
- volunteers needed for day of
- will have a holiday craft

Holiday Breakfast: 12/1

- John Goyette going to run the kitchen
- Need volunteers
- Have photographer, Traci Torres and her husband
- Early access ticket sales for members
- Older student volunteers needed for whoever needs volunteer hours

New Business

- Sunday after holiday breakfast, festival of trees is at Good Sheppard Church
- AM drop off has been difficult and needs to be more efficient, police should be coming to assist; at 8:45 no one can make the left into the parking lot...everyone must loop around!
- Book fair coming up
- Fawn Hollow apparel pickup this week

Meeting adjourned 8:30 pm

Jaime Geisel

Secretary, Fawn Hollow PTO