

Copper Beech PTA General Meeting

May 23, 2018

Documents: 2019 Proposed Budget, 2017-2018 Draft Budget, Principal's Report Agenda,

Call to Order at 7:09pm

April 2018 Meeting Minutes approved

Upcoming Events/ Fundraisers

- 6th Grade Class Trip - 6/5/18
- Sports Fundraiser (Phillies) – 6/8/18
- K - 5 Assembly - 6/12/18
- 6th Grade Promotion Ceremony – 6/13/18
- 6th Grade End of Year Party - 6/14/18
- Rita's fundraiser - 6/14/18
- Events that need a date:
 - 6th Grade Spring Fundraiser – this event still does not have a coordinator. It could potentially still happen but would need to happen extremely quickly. The opportunity still exists for someone to step up.

President's Report – Dave Clark

- National PTA School of Excellence Program – We are looking to improve communication, meetings, and add an electronic directory. None will happen this year but we're planning to implement next year. The paper/online survey was sent last week. Please complete it by Friday 5/25. If we improve on survey results from the beginning of the year, we will receive the school of excellence designation.
- Call for Nominations – we have 3 Board positions open for next year. Call for more nominations for VP1 (no additional nominations). Andrea Judge elected as VP1. Call for nominations for VP3 (no additional nominations). Samantha Bromley elected at VP3. Call for nominations for Treasurer (no additional nominations). Heather Bosciano elected as Treasurer.

Treasurer – Cathy Richman

- Proposed 2018-2019 Budget review and explanation of the line items that changed by \$500 or more.
 - Changes will be posted to the website and Facebook immediately. Any concerns must be brought to Dave's attention no later than May 29th or we will not be able to consider any additional adjustments.
- 6th Grade Activity Fees update – we're over 97% of our goal (not of total students).
- The check for the 6th grade trip buses will be going out to a Coordinator this week.

President Elect – Dottie Coccimiglio

- 6th Grade Class Trip on 6/5/18 to FunPlex. The remaining balance has been paid and 17 chaperones get in for free.
- Spring Fair, 5K and Fun Run recap – both were held on 5/12 and was a partnership between Copper Beech and Overlook. Only 55 participants for the 5k. Thank you to Peter Loftus, Colleen Rourke, and Dave Clark for helping. The Spring Fair was well attended; face painting was popular. 30 high school students helped to set up and break down. Most food was sold. Thank you to the teachers who helped!

VP1 – Jason Porter

- Cougar Chronicles update – The last issue went out Monday via Skyward. We're looking to adjust the format so we can better communicate events and programs. We are still working out technical details.
- SOUL Fundraiser update – Event took place last Saturday and we sold 36 tickets. We may not do it again based on low participation. Tickets sold did not cover the cost of the fundraiser.
- Phillies Fundraisers update – June 8th against Brewers. Tickets are sold on-line only for \$20 each. Password is copperbeechn. You can buy up until the day of the game and the seats are in the 300 level.

VP2 – Cristy Peltzer

- Teacher Appreciation was two weeks ago and it was so much fun! We did a supply cake in the teachers' lounge with classroom supplies so the teachers could help themselves. It was super popular! We also did a rolling snack cart and visited each hallway so teachers could help themselves to drinks, snacks, and goodies. Handwritten cards for each teacher were handed out thanking them for all they do. Leftovers went into the teachers' lounge and we invited the Aides and Lunchroom Staff to enjoy the goodies.
- 6th Grade Dance recap – About 125 kids attended. Check-in and sign-out went smoothly and the kids were well behaved. The photo booth was a great addition.
- Spring Clothing Drive took place last month for clothes, stuffed animals, etc. We split up the volunteer shifts into 1 hour shifts and that worked well.

VP3 – Tanya Pham

- Publishing Center is when kids in grades K-2 get to make their own books! The first publishing center party is tomorrow where kids will present their books to their parents. Lori Darrow saved the day and was in the office every day working very hard. Meg and Brew Burmester are the new Coordinators and have been hosting binding parties. We're a week ahead of schedule!
- Assemblies update – Kris Irwin will be stepping down as coordinator so we are looking for a new person to explore assembly options and coordinate with Mr. Brenner. We typically have an assembly the first month or two of school so it would need to start over the summer. It involves booking 2-3 assemblies, follow up, and paying the vendor.
- Clubs update – Book Club ended last week and they all received a book. MOB might change slightly for next year by dropping one session. We need at minimum of 12 volunteers for each session to maintain 3 meetings per week. Would like some more structure and curriculum. 75-90 kids on average per session.
- Field Day is this Friday after being rescheduled due to rain on the original date. A SUG went out. You can volunteer for a shorter shift if needed. Please touch base with Tanya with any questions. Team colors will be handed out tomorrow for most classes. PTA provides popsicles, yarn wrist bands, water, ice, cups.
- Collections - Escrips/A+ School Rewards via Giant – We raised \$2021 this year! Please remember to register your card so you're ready to help us raise money when the program starts again in October. If you have box tops or soda tabs, please turn them in before the end of school.

Marketing Director – Kristin Gaenssle

- Membership update – 2 new members
- 6th Grade End of Year Party update – working with coordinators on a beach party theme on 6/14 in the afternoon. Planning is just wrapping up.
- K-5 Awards and 6th Grade Promotion Ceremony – We met with Dr. Viola and we have the supplies we need. We just need the award winners form all teachers to print certificates.
- Funding Factory/Recycling update – We are still looking for new options for fundraising and new ways to raise money. Reminder that we are done with the muffin collections so please do not send in Little Bite wrappers.

Recording Secretary – Dana Mensah

- Permits for 2018 are all up to date.
- Reminder that no idling signs are posted at parent pick-up. Please remember to keep your cars off while waiting. We want to keep the kids' and the Aides' lungs clean and healthy!
- Garden Club just wrapped up our 3rd week. We tended to our veggie garden, which has been very happy with all of the rain. The kids painted rocks as markers for the veggies and they also tasted their lettuce. They created beautiful bird houses for their home gardens. Next week is our favorite week... tasting week! WFM provides samples of several local fruits and veggies, does a little lesson, and the kids vote for their favorites. They'll also make wildflower seed bombs to take home.
- Plant Sale at the Spring Fair profited a little more than \$600. The plants were beautiful and we saw a great interest with both schools there. Next year we could order some additional hanging baskets since they are such a hit.
- Yearbooks should be delivered the last week of May. We are hoping for a June 8th distribution date for everyone who ordered.

Principal's Report – Dr. Viola

- The CB Cares picnic is 5/31. Chartwells makes a BBQ lunch menu so kids can have a BBQ lunch outside.
- K-5 assembly is in the afternoon this year, most likely 1:45pm. We don't have space for open invitation so we send invitations to the families who have child who will be recognized. Letters will hopefully be out on the 1st.
 - The time for the assembly was moved to the afternoon so we can have the graduate walk in the morning.
- The track meet is 6/1 at the high school. It usually begins at 11:45am and is over around 2pm. Park at the high school.
- Spring Concert is on 6/4. During the day they have a rehearsal performance just for the students. The evening events are the concerts for the families.

Faculty – Ms. Sutch

- The kids enjoyed the Frank Murphy author visit. (He's a teacher at Central Bucks School District.)
- Teacher Appreciation was appreciated – Thank you!
- 1st grade trip is to Keswick Theatre
- Kids cheered for their publishing center books when they arrived!
- Getting ready for publishing center events; some classes use it for the end of the year party as well.

Announcements

- Nothing additional

New Business

- Nothing additional

Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm

Next PTA Meeting: Tuesday, June 5th, 2018