

Phelps Luck Elementary School PTA

General Membership Meeting

September 9, 2009

Welcome and Introductions – Paul Pechacek

- Paul welcomed everyone and each attendee introduced themselves. It was great to welcome so many people, and especially our new families. Thank you for coming!

Budget Report – Paul Pechacek

- Paul presented the budget that was drafted from our August budget meeting. \$16,346.78 was budgeted for programs this year.
- A motion was made to approve the budget by Paula Seabright. 18 members voted to approve. There were no objections.
- The budget will now be submitted to the PTACHC for approval.

Principal's Report – Mrs. Akers

- PLES has 650 registered students this year, including Pre-K thru 5th grades.
- Mrs. Akers sent home a letter this week informing families that the President's back-to-school address to students was recorded and will be viewed this Friday. All grades will be able to watch the speech. Each teacher may choose activities that support their curriculum for students after the speech. If you do not wish your children to watch the speech, you may write a note to their teachers to excuse them.
- Back to School Nights are Tue, Sept 15 at 7pm for grades Pre-K thru 2nd grades, and Wed Sept 16 at 7pm for 3rd thru 5th grades. The nights are designed for parents to get important information about the school-year. All families are encouraged to arrange for child care at home.
- Flu Mist for students will be administered by PLES on Tue, Sept 22 and is available for all students. This is the regular flu vaccine. More info will come home this week. Permission forms are due back by Tue Sept 15. The cost is free. Volunteers are needed. Please call, Aimee Carlesi, Health Assistant, at (410) 313-6886 if you are able to volunteer.
- Mrs. Akers thanked Tammy Goldberg and the PTA for providing refreshments during the first week back for staff.
- On Sept 2, students from grades 3-5 enjoyed a visit from the US Army Field Band and Strings Quartet.
- Mrs. Akers thanked Our Shepherd Lutheran Church for donating 50 backpacks filled with supplies to PLES. Please contact Ms. Jones (Guidance) if you need one.
- PLES still needs supply donations for students – pencils, tissues, hand sanitizer. If you can help, please bring them to Back to School Night.

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- HCPSS plans on redistricting in 2011. Mrs. Akers will ask a guest speaker from the Central Office to come to our November meeting to talk about the plans and answer questions.
- Additional parking spaces that were planned for this year were not approved by the county budget due to budget cuts.

Committee Reports

Science Fair – Lisa Strutz

- No dates have been set for the Science Fair yet. Need more judges. Training will be provided.

Cultural Arts – Paula Seabright

- Planning on holding 3+ Cultural Arts events. Looking for ideas.

Sunshine-Hospitality – Polly Weber

- Will continue to sell flowers at Winter and Spring Concerts. Considering selling other items as well (magnets).

Art Fundraiser – Malinda Haggerty

- Will move fundraiser from the spring to this fall (October), so that families can order gifts for the holidays. Additional items may also be ordered in the spring in time for Mother's and Father's Days.

Dine-Out Night – Cheryl vom Saal

- Four Dine-Out Nights are being planned, with the first one in October.
- Our 2nd annual Barnes & Noble Book Fair will be Sat, Dec 5.

Secret Shop – Karen DeBlasio

- Tentative date has been set for Fri, Dec 4.

Next Meeting is Wed, October 7, 2009.