

Overlook PTO Meeting Agenda

January 11, 2018

Welcome

Sandy Jones and Laura Ramsay, *Co-Presidents*;
Patricia Botero, 6th Grade Parent Representative

Principal's Report

Mr. Perlman

- Delayed School Openings—A 2 hour delay would typically indicate 10:50 AM start time and school doors would open at 10:30, however, Abington schools have begun accepting students at 10am for delayed openings this year. There will be no organized activities prior to the start of school, however, doors will be open and there will be adult supervision on site.
- Thank you to the PTO for continued support. The teachers were thankful for continued PTO support as well and the holiday gift cards presented to them.
- Souper Bowl will take place on February 2nd this year. A change was made this year and that is to include the entire 6th grade to participate in the luncheon. In previous years, 2-3 students have been chosen from each class in each grade.
- The 6th grade Cyberbullying presentation needed to be postponed but will be rescheduled for later this year.
- There is a separate Bullying Prevention program offered on April 27 at Abington Junior HS. More information to come.
- Math Night will take place on January 25th. It will happen in a similar fashion to previous years. The PTO working with Ms. Daniels to coordinate this.
- After School Enrichment Program (ASEP)—there are many great ideas this year with a lot of teacher involvement.
- Lets' do lunch—this event is scheduled for January 12th. There has been a tremendous response to this event. There will be seating in the cafeteria and in the gym to accommodate all those expected. Lunch will last ½ hour.

Teacher/Staff Update

Mr. Staszkiw and Mr. Coates

- Thank you to the PTO for the holiday gift cards received.
- Wizard Game—The Abington Education Fund (AEF) will organize a Wizards basket ball game to take place on April 21st. This year, 2 games will be played; one at 2pm and one at 7pm. This is a very fun event and great fundraiser for the AEF. This event was sold out last year. This year, Ms. Kelly and Ms. Early will be participating, just to name a few. Tickets sales will begin the last week of January or first week of February. Each game will seat ~ 1,200 people. [The AEF is celebrating its 25th birthday this year In June, when they will hold their birthday celebration. The AEF is a non-profit organization that is independent of the Abington schools; the AEF works with district, however, to provide services and grants to the schools. Teachers may apply for various grants through the AEF.]
An email via Skyward will be sent shortly with the exact details on the Wizards game and how to purchase tickets.

Treasurer Report

Karin Quinn, *Treasurer*

6th Grade—

- 6th grade movie night raise \$852.78

- Pretzel sales continue. Sales thus far have brought in \$1729.99
- 6th grade is doing well with a YTD profit of \$6,973.51

PTO—

- *Holiday Hollow made a profit of \$4,294.66, which is an increase from last year.*
- *Money from the budget has begun to provide for expenses for ASEP and BLINGO events.*
- *Our current balance is -\$7,431.66.*

Discussion—

Upcoming

- Let's Do Lunch: Friday January 12—1/2 hour is allotted per lunch period. Tables will be placed in cafeteria and gym to accommodate everyone.
- Chess Club: Six Mondays starting January 22nd (skipping February 19th)—all spaces are filled. Families will be notified by 1/17 if their child will be able to attend.
Questions: chess@overlookvolunteers.com
- Math Night: January 25th
- After School Enrichment Program (ASEP): 5 Tuesdays starting January 30th through February 27th (a make-up day is scheduled for March 6th). Enrollment is open and is ongoing through January 19th. Forms were sent home with Family packets on Tuesday. Many teachers have offered to coordinate and teach the various classes offered. Students may register via paper form or online via the school store (www.overlookproud.com).
Questions: asep@overlookvolunteers.com
- Chipotle Night: January 31st. Mark your calendar. The Chipotle located in the Abington Shopping Center.
- Gertrude Hawk Sale: Runs February 5th - February 23rd. Delivery will take place the 2nd or 3rd week of March. This is usually a successful fundraiser.
- Parent Council Meeting at Overlook: February 7th @ 7:30pm. This meeting will be hosted at Overlook. The topic: *Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Supports*
- Book fair—This will run from 2/7 to 2/15. The timing with Presidents Day holiday may cause for makeup shopping to be necessary. Wish lists for Kindergarten and 1st grade will be

completed. All other grades will shop on their assigned shopping day.

- Sweetheart Dance: February 9th. This event runs from 6:30-9:00pm and includes a DJ and Photographer. No ticket purchases can be made at the door. Registration must be received by February 2nd.
Questions: Contact Melissa Flint- melissaflint@verizon.net or Jenny Applegate- jennyapplegate44@gmail.com
- Talent Show: Auditions will take place on February 2nd and the show itself will take place on February 23rd. It's a nice way to support classmates and friends. There was a good turnout last year.
Questions: Contact Courtney Parker- courtspark@gmail.com
- BLINGO: March 23rd. We need a lot of volunteers to make this successful. The people coordinating this event are transitioning out this year and new people are stepping into place. This is the largest PTO fundraiser of the school year. Fundraising efforts have already begun. Volunteer requests will start soon. It is a fun family night. Each grade will be requested to make a basket for donation. In years past, homeroom parents have coordinated together per grade to request donations from parents.
- 5k run—This event is new for Overlook. This year, it will happen in conjunction with Copper Beach Elementary. The run will take place on the cross-country track of the high school. The date will be early May, but has not been decided specifically yet. This event will be open to the community at large as well. Overlook families registrations will fund Overlook and Copper Beach's registrations will go towards their PTO funds. Details continue to be worked out and more information is to come. There will be lots of sponsorships needing to be solicited. There will be a 5k run and a walk of some distance for those not interested/able to run.

Needed

- Nominating Committee (By March)—This committee consists of 2 or 3 people that make the phone calls to reach out to those nominated for the PTO or for those that may be interested. For those people interested in being on the board, please think about the opportunity. Please seek out Laura Ramsay (Laura@Overlookvolunteers.com) or Sandy Jones (Sandy@Overlookvolunteers.com) for more details on how to help in this way.

Questions/ Concerns/ Ideas

- Parents present at the meeting expressed excitement regarding the 5K fundraiser.

6th Grade Update

- The 6th Grade has cancelled their pasta dinner fundraiser. It will still be seen in the school calendar as it was scheduled at the start of the year. However, this fundraiser has been cancelled, as it's no longer needed.
- The hoagie sale for February that 6th grade initially scheduled is also cancelled because the funds aren't necessary.
- There will be a U-Swirl fundraiser. It's in the springtime. More information to come as time gets closer.

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 20th 7:00PM in the Library

More details can be found at www.overlookproud.com