



**PTA General Membership Meeting
April 13, 2018 8:30 AM – Sickles Media Center**

In Attendance: Christine Hayden, Kerry Maguire, Stephanie Palmer Bates, Christa Ahrens, Jodie Martignoni, Ali Kucich, Kelly McCann, Jennifer Halcrow, Anne Quinn, Ruth Blaser, Melissa Doherty, Heather Gorman, Michelle Buckley, Rachel Steller, Sarah Sweeney, Cara Pearsall, Kristen Murphy, Suzy Gilbert, Jeanette Hogan

Welcome & Pledge: Christine Hayden

1. March Minutes Approval:

Motion: Stephanie Bates Second: Christine Hayden

2. Spending – Christine Hayden

The PTA has been busy putting our dollars to work. At Knollwood Mrs. Wycoff received her mobile science cart (\$1,652). We have spend \$5,969 at Knollwood and Sickles on programming. Including, Math Olympics, Its OK 2 B Different, Charles Waters, Story Pirates, Penguins and more.

3. Volunteer Hours – Christine Hayden

A big thank you to all of our chairs that have helped make so many events successful over the past month. Including Art Appreciation, 7th grade babysitting, Vineyard Vines, Book Fair and Art Show.

Our BIGGEST message of this meeting is regarding volunteerism for NEXT YEAR! We have openings for chair positions for the 2018/2019 school year! Please contact us to discuss how you can help.

Officer Reports:

1. Christa Ahrens, VP Operations

- A. Staff Appreciation week at Sickles and Knollwood is approaching. Donations are needed – watch for a sign-up genius email blast
- B. School Supplies for 2018/2019 school year. We are collecting lists from administration for ordering. Items ordered will be delivered earlier this year to Knollwood so students can unload in their lockers before school starts
- C. Nominating Committee – Accepting nominations for 2018/2019 PTA Board positions The slate will be announced in the next week or two.

- 2. Ali Kucich, Corresponding Secretary**
 - A. Used Cloting Drive starts today
 - B. Keansburg Water Park – Date is remaining the same
- 3. Kelly McCann, VP Fundraising**
 - A. Basket wrapping for Spring Fundraiser today – please come by to help
 - B. Today last day to buy tickets – tickets will still be available for purchase of baskets. Grand prize is sold out
 - C. Scarecrows will be available for purchase starting in June
- 4. Jodie Martignoni, Recording Secretary**
 - A. Lunch with a VIP will be Friday, May 4th at Sickles. Please remember to return your VIP slip to school
 - B. Sickles Field Day has been scheduled for 5/25 – raindate 5/31. Please be on the lookout for more info soon
 - C. Knollwood Field Day – 4th/5th is 5/30 – raindate 5/31 and 6th/7th/8th is 6/4 – raindate 5/31
- 5. Stephanie Palmer Bates, Treasurer’s Report**
 - A. We are approaching administration in the district for their spending wishlists for 2018/2019 school year
 - B. The PTA bi-laws do not state a use of proceeds for spending – it is membership approved
 - C. #1 Mission for PTA is curriculum enrichment. Last year we had a planned and executed budget and then we hit the district wishlist. We will approve our spending for next year at the June/Sept. meetings
 - D. We cannot fund something required for instruction such as payroll. But we can fund infrastructure changes.
- 6. Kerry Maguire, VP Curriculum**
 - A. Current programming at Sickles and Knollwood – Story Pirates, Book Fair (new vendor All Books), Honey Bees, Thomas Edison, Shakespeare Theatre, Holocaust Survivor. All tying in tightly to curriculum.
 - B. Knollwood was able to keep two science carts and only pay for one.
 - C. Barnes and Noble book fair coming up in Eatontown – able to purchase books on required summer reading list
 - D. Last year we purchased over \$2,000 worth of books for Knollwood classroom libraries and allocated \$130 a teacher for Pre-K-5th and \$130 for Knollwood literacy teachers

New Business 2018/2019

- 1. Open Chair Roles**
 - A. We have open chair roles for several events including, Art Appreciation, Its Ok 2 B Different, 5th Grade Home Alone Course, Manners and Mingling, Family Fun. And sub-chair positions for Harvest Fest, Book Fair, Annual Fundraiser etc.

Open Discussion

- 1. Conversation about Nominating Committee**

It is the mission of the Fair Haven PTA to promote the welfare, safety and educational development of our children in the home, school and community through the cooperative efforts of parents and teachers.

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