

## Carlisle PTO Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, September 5, 2017 9:00 am – Community Room, Carlisle Public Schools

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Attendees: Amy Caggiano, Carrie Patel, Emily Richardson, Liz McIntosh, Niressa Martin, David Model, Chelsea Mascari, Kate Mazzola, Chris Chiapella, Emily Dirocco, Kathy MacDonald, Carren Panico, Diane Troppoli, Sara Vuckovic, Kieran Joshi, Sean Murphy, Debbie Merz, Carrie Wilson, Dennet Sidell, Jim O'Shea

Amy Caggiano called the meeting to order at 9:05.

### Save the Dates!

Newcomer's Coffee with Special Welcome to CCHS Superintendent Laurie Hunter is Wednesday, September 6 at 9-11 in cafeteria – please join us!

Teacher Appreciation Luncheon: Tuesday, September 19

Elementary Back to School Night: September 28

Middle School Back to School Night: October 5

Publicity Deadlines: Sean to Review

- PTO Monthly eNews Blast
- Monthly CPS Buzz

### Administration

Welcome Back!

Carrie Wilson - It's been a great beginning to new school year. We have about 20 new staff members this year. We had a good time at our staff meeting getting to know the new staff. We all worked together in groups on a scavenger hunt and took a trip down to Kimball's. We have an all school assembly this Friday, with the Carlisle Husky mascot possibly making an appearance. Olweus will be rolling out soon and the character trait for September is Giving. Pixley's writers guild will also be beginning soon and that is open to any student in grades 6-8. Cross-country is also starting up and last year we had a great turn out and looking forward to another great year.

Dennet - We have 63 new Kindergarteners and 24 new elementary students joining us this year. The Elementary assembly on 15th will kick off Olweus training for the students. Our new staff includes Ms. Cox in third grade, Ms. Weston in K, Ms. Studlien in second grade. Ms. Graham has moved from first to K and Ms. Grady has moved from third to first. Our new music teacher is Ms. Thomforde and she will be doing piano duet with students who play. Mr. Greenwood is our new Technology Integration Specialist and will be working with Ms. Bery and will be going into the classrooms to help teachers connect with other classes here in the US, as well as around the world.

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David Model (School Committee)- Acceptable use policy brought up; discussed using devices at school (theirs vs schools, on school internet vs at home). Speaker coming in December to talk to students and parents about technology use.

Jim - Newcomers Coffee on September 6, Laurie Hunter CCHS superintendent will be there. Kindergarteners got a CCHS class of 2030 t-shirt to have their picture taken in it, as are the Concord Kindergarten kids. Second grade had a new teacher due to increases size, as did Kindergarten, so a fourth K class was added. Full time paraprofessionals needed to be cut back to part time to balance out the cost of the new classrooms. Chinese classroom had to move as well as the health class for middle school, which will now be meeting in the grades social study class. There are some parents starting a group with the administration to help out with the diversity in the school and helping everyone navigate issues surrounding diversity. Inclusion and Acceptance group ( working name).

### **PTO Thank Yous!**

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered over the summer – apparel sales, school supply kits, administrative business, budgeting, volunteers, and so on!

### **Ongoing Business**

Approve June 2017 Minutes

[Carren Panico made a motion to approve the June Meeting Minutes.](#)

[Carrie Patel seconded the motion](#)

[Vote – June Meeting Minutes were approved.](#)

### **Board Updates**

President: Insurance, Newcomers Coffee Date Change is Sept 6 at 9:30am in Cafe, new Superintendent Laurie Hunter will be attending. Teacher luncheon Sept 19th sign up genius is out, Back-to-School Nights Sept 28, MS BTS is Oct 5, Evening PTO Meetings, Copy Center- Kerry Lyons has returned 3 days a week, please give her a 5 day heads up.

Exec VP: Faculty & Staff Grants Applications Deadline - OCT 12th, SAC MIDDLE SCHOOL REP needed 1ST meeting SEPT 13. Survey monkey will be going out after submissions for new candidates are collected.

Treasurer: Budget presentation and vote to approve for 2016-17 - Emily Richardson, Carren Panico second

Publicity: Update and deadlines, 15<sup>th</sup> of each Month, Sandwich Boards - please get those request to me early, next blast will go out soon please get all content to Sean by the 15th.

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Membership: Husky Directory Status, 78 memberships \$3500, 411 families enrolled 609 students, 26% have signed up, 74% showing, Raffles - Gift cards to those who sign up by Oct., Driving Membership

Curriculum Enrichment: 2017-18 calendar, application process is newly put in place this year with the same deadline as the grants Oct 12, outbound communication plan

Events: 2017-18 calendar - looking for events volunteers and any new ideas for events this year.

Fundraising: Spirit Shirts, School Supply Kits, Open Fundraising Spot, Affinity Programs

Volunteer Chair: Recruitment Support – Family Five- five hours a year, Lunch & Recess, Library, Fall Bike Fair October 1st, COA Veteran's Day Race in November

Spaghetti Supper - Emily D. Oct 17, tickets will be on sale soon and as well as a sign up genius for volunteers.

Room Parents – Update on Open Slots- Mrs. Morris 3rd class and Mrs Graham K

Middle School Chair - still needed

### **New Business**

Middle School Faculty Representative

### **Adjourn**

Amy Caggiano made a motion to adjourn.

Carrie Patel seconded the motion.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:24 am.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 9:00 am in the Community Room