

**PTA Meeting:General Membership**  
**May 15, 2018**  
**7pm**

**I. 7:00pm - Meeting called to order by Carrie Conley**

**II. Unfinished Business-**

- Margy Saben read a prepared statement in regards to the State and Local Relations Committee Review of Windsor PTA Charter and Remedies.
- Carrie Conley explained that members would have a timed 2 minutes to address the room in regards to the allegations of discriminatory practices or the review of the Windsor PTA Charter.
- Susan Dawson read a prepared statement that pertained to the purposes and mission of the PTA. Questions were raised about communication and procedures within the PTA and its Executive Board in addition to the recent alleged discriminatory actions involving the Windsor PTA.
- Heidi Walczak read a prepared statement voicing her concerns of the behaviors of the PTA executive board and protocol to respond to any disagreements that come before the board. She requested that the executive board share their communication process in writing for addressing questions, requests or disagreements that may come forward.
- Katy Jones voiced her concerns about members not being informed of the allegations of discriminatory practices prior to the special election.
- Jill Stark had a prepared statement read on her behalf that shared her positive experiences with the PTA over the past several years. She shared her concern surrounding emails that were sent in recent weeks in regards to the special election.
- Chrissie O'Grady read a prepared statement asking for some sort of resolution to the questions concerning the alleged discriminatory actions. She also expressed her wish for the community to move forward to begin the healing process.
- Heather Lepold read the remainder of Jill Stark's statement where she expressed her sadness at what has unraveled at Windsor School in the past weeks. She expressed her desire for things to go back to the way they were and asked for clarification surrounding the alleged discrimination charges.
- Laura Reed spoke thanking Carrie Conley for her years of service and stated that truth prevails and kindness always wins.
- Ed Gadberry read the PTA Ethical Conduct Agreement aloud and shared that many of the items on that agreement have been broken this year.
- Katy Jones read a prepared statement on behalf of Kathy Dieringer in which she shared her dismay at how things went this year with the Sock Hop committee. She also shared that she has since been hesitant to attend PTA functions due to the childish tactics displayed by some of the members.
- Nikki Wiedner asked if the members will get answers to the questions posed tonight and how/why our PTA's problems reached the highest level of PTA?
- Julia Johnson expressed her appreciation for those who volunteer their time on the PTA. She voiced her hopes for the members of the PTA to move forward together.
- Heather English spoke asking for improved communication and encouraged members to see the good in every person and situation.
- Denise Galanis spoke about the unfair treatment and behaviors of members of the PTA needing to stop.
- Jill Gallagher expressed her concerns about insufficient information surrounding the special election held. She also suggested that members should be able to have a vote even if unable to attend the election meeting.
- Kristin Keil stated that the Nominating Committee slated the board for the 2018-2019 school year and that should be honored and members should move on. She also encouraged every parent to become involved and be present in their child's lives.
- Shelley Fabrizio stated that the National and State PTAs sent an email to board and herself asking us to not discuss the specifics of the alleged discriminatory actions until a decision was made by the state.
- Kim Kusiciel explained that procedures for communication and concerns are in the procedure book on the PTA website. She also shared that our bylaws govern the PTA which are approved by membership. She also stated that committee chairs can be provided assistance from their VP's with any concerns they may have.

-Jennifer Ratkovich stated that there are now ramifications in place for not following proper procedure within the PTA.

-Kristine Gruzewski stated that she was in favor of every member moving forward together.

### **III. Approval of Minutes**

**Secretary:** Erin Matray

-Moved to approve the March/April minutes; motioned by Heidi Walczak. Seconded by Katy Jones.

### **IV. Reports of Officers**

**Treasurer:** Cristina Small

-Moved to approve the March and April Treasurer's Report; motioned by Heather Lepold. Seconded by Kristin Keil.

-Buddy Bench: the PTA purchased 2 benches for the school playground.

**President Report:** Carrie Conley

- Committee chairs should submit End of Year Reports if not already done so. Returning Committee Chair- VP's should be reaching out to you.

-All new committees need approved Plans of Work for 2018-2019: Art Club, Spelling Bee, Multi-Cultural Event, STEM Lab: Engineering for Kids(after school program offered for K-2 and 3-5. cost approximately \$15 to be paid by participant.)

-Executive Board Installation: Susan Dawson motioned to suspend installation of the 2018-2019 Executive Board(under item IV on the agenda) until questions posed at tonight's meeting can be addressed. Denise Galanis seconded the motion. The motion was adopted with a majority vote greater than 2/3 as required by the by-laws.

-Any further questions that arise regarding the allegations of discriminatory practices or the review of the Windsor PTA Charter should be directed to The Arlington Heights Council of PTAs. [ahptacouncil@gmail.com](mailto:ahptacouncil@gmail.com)

**Principal's Report:** Shelley Fabrizio

- Mrs.Fabrizio thanked the PTA for the amazing Teacher Appreciation week.

-Mrs. Fabrizio thanked everyone for their patience this morning during the power outage.

- It is Allergy Awareness Week. Everyone is encouraged to wear their teal shirts tomorrow in support. A video on allergy awareness will be shown in classes.

-The Windsor office will close on June 22 and reopen on August 3. Special Education Summer School will be taking place at Windsor this summer.

-The last day of school is June 8 for students and June 11 for teachers.

**PTA Membership:** Kristin Keil

-We are now at 403 members.

**Legislation:** Kristin Keil

-New board meeting dates have been announced and will be posted to the website.

-D 25 proof of residency is now being done online.

-A new elementary report card will be introduced in the fall of 2018. Look for more information on this come the start of the new school year.

### **V. Reports of Committees recently or partially completed**

**Restaurant Nights/Movie Fundraiser:** Kristin Keil & Gina Tourtelot

-Culver's Night will be June 6 from 4-10pm. Windsor will receive 10% of up to \$1500 in sales and 20% of sales over \$1500.

**Runapolooza:** Krista Warnstedt

-\$1,150 was made from the event.

**Teacher Appreciation:** Becky Polley, Tammy Peon, Danielle Rubel

-\$715.55 was spent on a catered lunch(Nino's), paper goods and decor for the week. Treats were supplied by families and coffee and tea donated by Mariano's.

**Cultural Arts:** Kim Kusiciel

-Kim has a list of vendors to consider for next year. They include programs on bullying, being nice/kind, and cultural performances through Urban Gateways. It was respectfully requested that some of the excess funds from this committee, nearly \$1K, be rolled into funds to support an author visit next year. Kim will ask Shelley to see if Gail had anyone in mind for you to consider for using Excess Funds on. Who will fill this committee next year so that Kim can transition processes and information to the new person?

**VI. Reports of the Committees upcoming**

**Green Team:** Samantha Sheehan

-The last meeting of the year is on Monday, May 21st. They are currently working with the boy scout and his family to solidify a garden rebuild date.

**World of Work:** Ann Williams and Ed Gadberry

-There will be 86 students and 25 locations for WOW. Students will be placed and permission slips sent home next week. The committee is still looking for more volunteers(not just 5th grade families) to be at those locations in the community.

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade Committee:** Kim Kusiciel, Jenny Heber & Alisa Pontarelli

-T-shirts were delivered. There was a problem with the vendor going out of business mid-order, so that resulted in a delay to the students. We suggest making a "Class of 2019" t-shirt next year that 5th grade can purchase through the Spirit Wear sale in the fall. It might not have the names on the shirt, but the kids can sign the back of the shirt or something like that to make up for it... but then they'd have it all year. In other news, the invitation has been sent out. Volunteers are collecting the items for the breakfast. Volunteers will be assigned duties for the morning of the breakfast. The banner has been made and will be revealed at the breakfast. We collected K pictures from almost all 5th graders to put up and down the hallway. The gift has been ordered and delivered. The slideshow is being finalized, too. It will be a fantastic morning for the 5th graders.

No updates at this time:

Recognition: Eileen Collins

Birthday Books: Donna Niebrugge & Eileen Collins

Distribution: Sarah Anderson

Marquee: Heather Lepold & Becky Polley

Middle School Liaison: Agnes Kielczewski

Publicity: Kim Chung

Welcome Committee: Jenn Kalsch

PTA Calendar: Kerry Freeman

Art Awareness: Kim Buck & Lelah Hedrick

ABC25: Ann Poyer & Angie Thanopoulos

School Supplies: Courtney Childs & Debbie Freudenberger

Pre-K Committee: Ann Baker

Back to School Social: Sara Beyna, Erin Miller & Maureen Stukenberg

Hospitality: Dana Riedel, Denise Galanis & Sarah Anderson

Volunteer Coordinator: Kristine Gruzewski

Room Reps: Denise Galanis & Terese Orlando

Spirit Wear: Kelly Stevens & Krista Warnstedt

LMC Coordinators: Agnes Kielczewski

Family Fun Event: Kathy Dieringer

PTA Directory Spot: Ann Williams  
Kindergarten Activity Night: Kelly Stevens & Renee Schlenhardt  
Fall Harvest: Ed Gadberry & Denise Galanis  
PTA Reflections: Heather Lepold & Jill Stark  
Ladies Night Out (LNO):  
Veteran's Breakfast:  
Chess Club: Katy Wendt & Cristina Small  
Coding Club: Michelle Bonnette  
Student Variety Show: Kim Kusiciel, Chrissie O'Grady & Alisa Pontarelli  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade Activity Night: Jill Gallagher & Leah Ross  
Junior Great Books: Jenn Licato & Leah Ross  
Winter Workshops: Michelle Bonnette  
Orbit Roller Skating Party: Sheila Blair, Laura Palm & Robyn Russo  
Sock Hop: Ann Baker, Kathy Dieringer & Robyn Russo  
Wine Tasting: Jenn Licato & Katy Jones  
Character Counts: Jen Bott, Catherine Rigney & Michelle Knudsen  
Book Fair: Julianna Cucci & Jacqueline Raitano  
Science Fair: Kevin Ford, Jon Hendrickson & Denise Pignataro  
Club Pictures: Laura Palm, Angela Houghton  
Yearbook- Suzanne Grund, Bretta Hammerstrom, Robyn Russo, Becky Polley, Angela Houghton & Laura Palm

**VII. New Business-**

**VIII. Announcements-** Shelley presented the outgoing members of the Executive Board with gifts for their years of service.

**8:44pm, meeting adjourned.**

**Respectfully submitted by: Erin Matray**