

Northley PTL
Meeting Agenda
January 6, 2021 PTL Meeting

- Welcome- Happy New Year!

- President's Report - Staff Lunch on December 22nd. Received a lot of thank you notes from the teachers. It was great to be in the building. It was a success and great to thank the teachers for everything they have done.

- Treasurer's Report- \$1,391.59- Savings Account-\$1,391.59, Checking Account- \$10,257.49
 1. We had \$50 come in via Venmo in dues.
 2. Paid out \$517.76for the Teachers/Staff Holiday luncheon. Just need to reimburse Kristen the money for the chips, approximately \$27.

- Principal's Report- Joel Alutius- The luncheon was great. It really picked everyone up. It's very much appreciated. Thank you for doing that for the staff.
 - Talking with my guidance counselors, thinking about activities to do with students. They would like to organize a virtual bingo night. The guidance counselors would love to set up virtual bingo for the kids. It could be used as a fundraiser for the PTL as a way to raise money.
 - Parent volunteers made bell caps for the band members, so band members should be able to play instruments at school now.
 - Information on virtual Reading Olympics will come out.
 - Delaware County Spelling Bee will also be virtual
 - Quarterly exams coming up on January 25, 26 and 27. The end of the marking period will be on January 29.
 - The bus driver for bus 8, Mr. Jim passed away. He was a beloved bus driver in Penn Delco and he will be missed.
 - Changing to Hybrid status, just call Mr. Alutius or Ms. Martin and they will let the teachers know. You can also let your guidance counselor know.
 - There are no updates to Spring sports at this point.

- Teacher Representative Report- Mrs. Taylor
 - Looking for presenters for their Career Café. It will be done via Zoom on Wednesdays from 11-11:30. Adults talk about their jobs and the kids ask questions. Contact Mrs. Taylor or any of the counselors.
 - Choose to be kind week, Tuesday through Friday, MLK week. There's a different theme every day. The dates and themes will be in the newsletter.
 - Can push something out to the staff about paying dues via Venmo? She will send an email out to the staff.
 - Question from Annmarie Hegarty- Mr. Alutius- Will there will be a virtual night for 8th graders via Zoom? There is not a date as of tonight, but it will be in the newsletter on Friday.

- Committee updates:
 - 8th Grade Spring Events – Gina Leiby/Annemarie Hagerty- Superbowl block pool on the private FB 8th grade page. Please share it or add people to it. Trying to get a couple pools going because we will make \$450 for the pool. Pay through Venmo, just please put 8th grade or Football in the memo. We need talk about what we need to do going forward.

-Gina wants to know how much money is needed to get all the swag for the 8th graders.

Caryn Rhoads said that we can make sure we have a good 8th grade event of some kind, even if it's in the parking lot and socially distanced. We can get together and talk about the events that happened in the past and how much money was spent in the past on the 8th grade gifts.

Annmarie Hegarty asked if we could request dues from all 8th grade parents for gifts and events.

-Gina Leiby wanted to confirm the exact total of 8th graders, which is 297.

-Gina Leiby suggested maybe having raffles for 8th grade funds.

Mr. Alutius added that maybe people would be willing to put more money in because of not putting in money for other things that were missed because of COVID. People may be more willing to get involved and spend money on fundraisers. If it goes toward something special, people may be willing to give a little bit.

-Caryn Rhoads- Can it be a donation drive instead of calling it Dues? A letter to the 8th grade class can be written, and she can go over it with Mr. Alutius and it can be sent to the whole class. It may be a better option than having fundraisers, and people won't feel obligated.

-Annmarie Hegarty said the Dues offset the costs but don't cover everything. Make sure everyone knows that it is going toward 8th grade. If it's for something specific, people may be more willing to donate.

Chrissi Rhoads- Let's not forget about the amazing women from the PTL last year. They built upon nothing, but they did have the entire year to fundraise. They did get good deals and have some

connections. If the former PTL board can provide an itemized list of the gifts they got last year and what the cost was, that would be helpful.

Annamarie Hegarty asked for a Google form to request sizes for the 8th graders.

Caryn Rhoads- 8th graders received, hoodie, blanket, quarantine t-shirts and SV t-shirt.

8th grade needs a committee and start planning now.

- Spring event ideas for 7th/6th- Maybe a Zoom-based presentation for the 6th and 7th graders as an alternative. Please reach out if any parents are interested in organizing events.

- Fun raising - Amy Wothers
 - What a Crock? -Share with people and on Social Media.
 - Ideas for spring? Let Caryn know if you have any ideas for fundraising. Would like a special product drive, not candy or candles. Pennell did a garden flag, and that was a good idea. Please share any ideas you have.

- Membership – Open- It's never too late to send in dues.

- Hospitality- Open for Committee Head.

Staff lunch 12/22 was a success. Hoping to do something else in the Spring for the staff.

- Digital- Andrea Griffith-not at the meeting, but nothing new to share.

- New Business- Gina Leiby- Can money for 6th and 7th grade be used in 8th grade?
Caryn-All dues go in general PTL fund and it's never tracked who it's for. Each year a budget is created for each event throughout the year.
Gina wants to know if money that wasn't used for last year's events can be used for the 8th grade this year.
Caryn said that we can talk about when the budget is planned and move money over that would have been for events that didn't occur.
- Annamarie- Wants to know how much money is needed to raise for everything for 8th grade.
- Caryn will meet with Lisa and get those numbers over to Annmarie and Gina.
- Gina-Will need the money by April to start ordering everything.
- Caryn will get them the numbers from the tentative budget.
- Lisa Jennings- Told Annmarie and Gina to have an idea about what they would like to get the 8th graders this year to give an idea of how much money is needed.

Annmarie H- What is needed for the dance? A cover charge?

Caryn said there was no cover before for the dance. For the 8th grade formal last year, a ton of food and drinks was donated, and 90% of the food was there at the end of the night. A donation plan was put together. The events weren't ticketed, but it is an option to have them ticketed going forward. Maybe you can come up with a per head and PTL can help with students who can't afford it, and PTL funding can just be used for gifts.

Annmarie-Can't fathom having it at a nice place and transporting all the students there and back.

Caryn-It was budgeted at \$4,000 last year. Before that they had breakfast at school. 8th grade parents can talk about it at a committee meeting if it is worth having a breakfast.

Mrs. Taylor-It used to be at Kings' Mills. The breakfast was a big deal when her kids went there. The students got dressed up and the teachers went too. The dressing up was a big deal too, especially for the girls.

-Caryn Rhoads said that we'll get an 8th grade committee going and talk about a budget.

- End the meeting

Attendees: Joel Alutius, Caryn Rhoads, Annemarie Hegarty, Chrissi Villa, Kristen Plachuta, Cheri Messick, Krista Stafford, Lori DiNardo, Mrs Taylor, Sarah Williams, Lisa Jennings, Beth McClure, Gina Leiby. Anne Marie Wehe,