

# MINUTES

*Linwood PTO*

*1/9/20 / 7:00pm / Meeting Called to Order by Sangeeta Appel / Belhaven Library*

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| <b>In Attendance</b>                  | 24 attendees  |
| <b>Minutes</b>                        | November 15, 2019 Minutes Approved. J. Sykes motion and S. Nebl second.   |
| <b>Officers Reports</b>               | <p>Co-President, Seaview – S. Nebl: Food Drive 842 lbs. collected. Winter Carnival and other events are coming up.</p> <p>Co-President, Belhaven – S. Appel: Spirit wear – looking for ideas for spirit wear for kids/staff and new magnets for cars.</p>   |
| <b>Committee Reports/Old Business</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Winter Carnival – J. Sykes: Sign-up Genius will be coming with time slots. 2/23 setup starting at 4pm. (Waiting for basketball clearance). PTO will be sponsoring a laser light show in the a.m. and p.m.</li><li>• Enrichment Assembly – S. Appel: PTO sponsoring PC Campbell, a motivational speaker, March 10 at both schools and for teachers.</li><li>• Parents Night Out – 2/7 at Josie Kelly –info coming soon.</li><li>• Girls Choice Dance – Jackie M.: Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> 6-8pm at Seaview. Hearts Theme- more inclusive, girls can choose dad or other adult. Same DJ and Photographer, craft/nut free candy, light refreshments. American Girl raffle – donated by Novasack. 17 NHS students from Mainland are helping. RSVP online with a QR code and Give Back toiletries for Covenant House. “Guys Pick” event in May</li><li>• Multicultural Fair – C. Evinski: at Belhaven 5-7pm on Thursday 2/27- flyer coming home soon. Can share music, instruments, games, food, etc.</li></ul> |
| <b>Principal Report</b>               | <p>L. Care</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Collaborating with Dr. Luff and PTO for a Renaissance Speaker (PC Campbell) on positive reinforcement/pep rally style (PBIS – Positive Behavior Supports).</li><li>• LORE – Love of Reading –every Friday selected 8<sup>th</sup> graders coming to read to Kindergartners at Seaview.</li><li>• Little Library at Belhaven, asking for it at Seaview (new industrial tech teacher may build it)</li></ul>   |
| <b>Special Presentation</b>           | <p>Superintendent Brian Pruitt and Curriculum Supervisor Nicole Sapello</p> <p>N. Sapello: 15 years in education. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher, reading specialist and performing arts. From the Vineland area and is a connection to Cole the deaf dog.</p> <p>B. Pruitt: review of the mission statement and 7 strategic goals.</p>   |

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- There were focus groups to determine these goals and sub-goals under each goal.
  - This year numbers 1 (Curriculum) and 2 (Safety)
  - Goal 5 – Communication – up this year with Instagram accounts. Messages going out and principals reports on website
  - Goal 6 – Human Resources – County Supervisor has visited.
  - Goal 7 – Master Schedule Innovation – maximize time. Increase in creativity.
  - Discussed ways to implement goals

#### **New Business**

- Student Wellness Day: this winter. Different resources to help with anxiety, stress management, and looking for resources for kids and volunteers.
- Brainstorming meeting – looking to fill different positions for next year.

#### **Announcements**

- Next evening meeting in April – inviting Frank Pelino to talk about student screen time, apps to monitor it.
- May 2<sup>nd</sup> – Fashion Bag Bingo – at Our Lady of Sorrows.
- Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> – 6:30-7:30 pm – Belhaven Cafeteria – Special presentation from Partnership for a Drug Free NJ – 15-minute Child Break, how to talk to kids and keep them safe. Flyer to come.
- Pizza Tega – Dining 2 Donate Update – 35 meals and \$210 raised. Jan. 30<sup>th</sup> is the next one. Then March 2 – Chido Burrito 4-8 pm. 20% of sales donated back to PTO. Thanks to Shannon Funk for coordinating.
- Next Meeting: February 21st at 8:45 am in Seaview Cafeteria.

**Meeting Adjourned At** 8:15 PM

**Minutes Compiled By** Jessica Goldstein and Reema Kanzaria, Secretary

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