

# Lake Shore Middle School PTO Meeting Minutes

## December 18, 2018

### Call to Order and Welcome-Judith Wasserman

### Approval of the November Meeting Minutes-Roberta Sutcliffe

- The minutes were presented. A motion was made to approve by Judith Wasserman and seconded by Jodi Miller. The November minutes were approved.

### Co-President's Report-Judith Wasserman

- No mini grants this meeting
  - The magazine mini grant has been tabled until further information is provided

### Area Council Report-Judith Wasserman

- Superintendent Update-Matt Joynt
  - With increasing enrollment, the district is looking into a long-range facilities plan
    - Huge development on west side of Mequon
    - Survey out to the community
    - Wilson is 600 students (double of Donges Bay)
    - Steffen has 150 more students than Lake Shore
- Consistent District Calendar Approved
  - Last full week of March unless Easter falls within first 7 days of April
- School Pak
  - Looking into 1<sup>st</sup> Day School Supplies
  - School supply lists are reviewed and updated every spring
- Staff PTO registration fee
  - \$10 staff fee required in order to submit a mini grant
    - Do not believe that this affects the amount of mini grants submitted
    - Will vote on at a future meeting
- MTEF
  - Tartan Bash will be held on February 9, 2019

### Principal Update-Alli Rudich

- Planning for the 2019-20SY
  - Initial class size looks about 23-25 students on average
  - Predicting 5 sections each of 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades
  - About the same as this year, except that the current 8<sup>th</sup> grade class is larger
  - The staff retirement deadline is January 15<sup>th</sup>—none are expected
  - Teacher class assignments are done in the summer

- Registration will begin end of January
  - High School
  - Middle School electives
    - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade language offerings will be Spanish and French
    - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade will be every day for a language
      - Or, can have 2 other elective offerings for a ½ year each
      - Or, 1-non-language elective for the full year
    - Maximum of 18 students in a class to have it run
    - Mr. Mansfield will be sending out reminders for registration
- AVID
  - Site Team creates own plan
    - Multiple layers, collecting data, visits from Avid Center
  - MTSD is known as an Avid District
    - Trina Hayden in our district coordinator
  - Avid at elementary & middle school is school-wide with instructional teaching strategies
  - Elective Classes offered for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades
    - Rebranding and educating the families
      - AVID is not remedial
    - Looking for students based on the following:
      - Grades, MAP testing, Forward exams, Teacher recommendations
    - Elective will consist of:
      - 2-Days of the week with focused tutorial
        - Facilitators help “unlock the process”
        - Asking probing questions – “point of confusion” (POC)
        - Tutor group placement
        - Aligned with curriculum
      - 3-Days of the week with:
        - Note taking
        - Public speaking
  - Invitations going out this week to the current 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades
  - Next level-Identifying strong students with the potential for more focused training
  - Training for academic behaviors for success
  - High school is aligned for college prep
  - Middle school AVID meets every day in the BOCA hour for a class grade
  - Information sessions will be held separately for students and families
    - Student invitee breakfast-January 4<sup>th</sup> from 7:15-7:45am
    - Families of invitee students “Welcome” on January 10<sup>th</sup> at 6pm
      - Interested students that were not invited are also welcome to attend
    - Each student will go through an interview process to determine fit
    - Recommended 3-year program (7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>)

- AVID Staff Development
  - Summer Institute
    - Lake Shore lost 50% of Avid staff development due to turnover
    - Alli looking to send 2 additional staff with the 7-district approved
    - Seeking PTO help for the additional 2 staff at approx. &1,200/person

#### Lunch Time

- 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade share a 30-minute lunch block (new this year)
  - 20 minutes to eat / 10 minutes for outdoor recess (weather permitting)
  - Provides a total of 36 minutes including passing period vs. 30 minutes last year
  - Students still eating after 15 minutes, when transitioning begins, can stay an extra few minutes
  - Recess is required for room space and supervision coverage
  - Looking into additional lunch tables to help with transition
  - Lunch is also a social time and a big adjustment for 6<sup>th</sup> graders

#### Teacher Liaison-Katie Kranz

- Geography Bee will be on January 22<sup>nd</sup> in the ICC at 6pm
  - Practices are Thursdays after school
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation
  - Katie met with a group of students for input regarding celebrations
    - Dance: Glow theme with a DJ
      - Glow Sticks
      - Not interested in inflatables
      - Pop a Shot and Ping Pong tables
      - Traditional photo booth
      - Lemonade, Sprite, ckn nuggets, French fries and pizza
      - Alli will investigate the lighting options
      - Alli will encourage 8<sup>th</sup> grade teachers to attend
      - Parent volunteers are also needed

#### Committee Happenings

- Spirit Wear
  - Items still available and a few new ones have been added
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation
  - Judith and Jacqui will serve as the committee chairs
- Ski Trip
  - Will send a call for volunteers via MSA

#### Next PTO Meeting:

In Attendance: Judith Wasserman, Roberta Sutcliffe, Linda Walsh, Jodi Miller, Sharon Bloomgarden, Denise Morn

**Next meeting date: Tuesday, January 15th**