

March 11, 2019
Public PTO Meeting

7:35 – Meeting called to order and the minutes were reviewed and approved.

Finance Committee Update: Two members came to review their FY19 Point of View

- Appointed by the town to ensure they have no political ties to ensure an unobjective view of the town
- Health of the town – We have a AAA rating which means we will be able to borrow at competitive rates when we need to for the school building project and fire station
- Goal is to ensure that we have adequate reserves to cover needs but that we aren't taxing too much. We want to ensure reserves are healthy so we can ensure the AAA rating
- School budget is 80% of town budget
- Town of Acton is in great shape but we have a lot of large capital projects that are going to make budgeting challenging.

Principal Update:

- Building Project Update
 - Lynne is meeting bi-weekly with multiple deadlines ahead
 - Decided to have a Single Phase project and have the pre-school in the building
 - Teams of teachers are going to meet with architects to give feedback on what the space should look like for different grade levels
 - Links in Newmanns Notes for links to see what building looks like
 - Lots of prep will happen next spring – Septic etc
 - Expected to be done in Sept 2022
 - Once we are in the new building it will take about 8 months to take the current building down
 - During the summer they will finalize the design and finalize budget. They will then get the word out to the town for the vote in December
- School Committee Presentation
 - School improvement plan
 - Update on 50th Anniversary – continuing to discuss during all school meetings, trivia each morning, challenge to read 50 books for the year, creating a time capsule at year end.
- Math Bee – This Saturday
 - Registration looks good
 - Kindergarten material has been reviewed
- Talent Show – Grades 4-6
 - Scheduled for Friday April 12th
- Teacher Update
 - Kindergarten – Lamonakis – ADK, hiring a new teacher Subsick retiring

- 1 – Holt/Whitcomb
- 2- Kokkinos/olsen
- 3 – May/Johnson/Walsh
- 4 – Ryder/Connelly/hiring a teacher
- 5 – Luongo/ wolfson/ cormier (May retiring)
- 6 – Montepeluso/Acheson

PTO Budget Update

- Fun Run – \$24, 405
- Book Fair – \$2K
- Family Photo Day - \$584
- Amazon Smile \$265
- Box Tops - Uncertain
- Spelling Bee - \$109
- Direct Appeal - \$450
- NYAJ - \$274

PTO Board Vacancies

- Openings for Chairs, Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Junior Treasurer
- Need to post in TWAG

Review of Upcoming Events

- Silver Unicorn Storytime in May
- Author Visit – Coming up and we will be soliciting for orders this week

Ice Cream Social

- Question about having the Silver Unicorn come and do a one night book fair?
- We have people to cover all aspects of the night

Activity Day - Scheduled for June 7th

6th Grade Yearbook – Requested one for the time capsule