

## HSL General Membership Meeting 11/2/2022

### Attendees:

HSL Board Members: Kris Bautsch, Christine Bateman, Kate Blitzstein, Aimee Kibbler, Susan Gilbert, Kristy Thompson

HSL Members: 8 Members in Attendance

Meeting called to order by Christine Bateman at 7:07pm.

### Welcome:

- Christine welcomed everyone to the meeting

### Guest Speakers:

- Officer Bob Greenwood - Spring-Ford School Police Department
  - SFASD has had a police dept for 10-12 years. Started with 1 person in the High School as a security officer and has grown. The department includes 7 police officers in marked cars for visibility and 1 civilian responsible for monitoring tvs and doing searches. School police are armed and have arrest power on school property, but here more for protection as a deterrent factor.
  - Officer Greenwood was born and raised on Rivercrest Farm. Went to school at Oaks, volunteer fireman since age 16. Started working for police radio/dispatcher (got to do ride alongs, etc.), went to police academy, did SWAT for 11 years, and worked at Pottsgrove/Sanatoga for 34 years. Retired from police work and came to SFASD in January 2019. His wife is the nurse at Upper Providence Elementary.
  - Officers Greenwood and Heydt handle the elementary schools. Officer Greenwood is responsible for Brooke, Limerick, and Evans and they share Spring City. The kids call Office Greenwood - Officer Bob. He likes that he's making an impact on younger kids and can build relationships from a young age. His hours are 7:30am-4pm. He tries to get to each building at least once per day.
  - Discussed how the Safe2Say Program works. SFASD police get tips on their phones; if not on duty they'll have local police go to their house to do a check.
  - Manage the ALICE program: Officer Heydt and Lt Phillips have a presentation coming up at the High School (November 16th from 6:30-8pm). Teaching everyone to spread out and hide and be ready to throw something at the 'wolf'. An attendee asked if ALICE drills are run differently in the autism classroom: it was discussed that there's always more than one adult in that class, so one is in charge of the kids and the other does what needs to be done for the drill.
  - SFASD determines what drill is what month. Drills are planned by the building Principal and SFASD Police are there to monitor them. Teachers are taught to do a quick peek to see if anyone is in the hallway and call kids into the closest room. Ms. Bignotti repeats multiple times during the message that it's a 'drill'.
  - All doors are locked during the day. Any door that's numbered can be accessed by swipe card or a district master key. Doors are not alarmed but they've been firm that doors cannot be propped open. The School Board members have been very supportive of them being all around since the TX incident. Hoping to get maybe 1-2 more officers.
  - SFASD police department is expecting 2 grants for night locks - a deadbolt that's attached to the door that's adult height so the kids can't lock people out and only police or fire dept can get it unlocked.
  - We are getting more cameras, there's a 5 year camera plan. Started at HS, the flex building, then 8th grade center, then going to come around and do the elementary schools. Once done with all they'll go back to HS and start again because tech is always updating.
  - Each officer and one staff per grade each have a radio. Each building has its own channel and a district wide emergency channel. When you call 911 from the building the school officers get a text message saying what building/room called 911.
  - An attendee raised concerns with speeding in front of the school. Parents should contact the Limerick Police Department about those concerns.

### Budget Review – Aimee Kibbler

- A printout of the budget was handed out to each member in attendance.
- Income: membership dues, McDonald's dine out, Chevy Grant \$1K into Staff Appreciation, Kona Ice, Staff Raffle, Staff Boos
- Expenses: benches for walking path (details shared: 4 regular benches + 1 buddy bench that will replace the bench that's out there now, should be here in spring). Staff Boos, pay for taxes, Wawa coupon fundraiser
- Jennie Jonas motioned to approve, seconded by Amanda Dabbeek.

## September 2022 Minutes – Kristy Thompson

- A printout of the minutes from the last meeting, in June 2022, was handed out to each member in attendance.
- Minutes were reviewed, highlighting main topics discussed during that meeting.
- Emily Latshaw motioned to approve, seconded by Amanda Dabbeek.

## Board Elections: President, Vice President, Communications Advisor terms are ending.

- If interested, reach out to any member of the Board with questions. Please raise your hand and get involved!
- You can nominate yourself, be nominated by someone else, or nominate someone else.
- All nominations must be in before the March Home & School meeting starts. Votes will occur after that.
- Positions are 2 year terms. You can shadow at the end of this school year. Term starts 7/1.

## Committee Updates - Committee Chairs/Board Members

- Basket Raffle (Kate Blitzstein/Christine Bateman): planning meetings starting 11/6 - biweekly then goes to weekly. Theme is Out of this World. Basket raffle will be in person.
- Book Fair (Jennie Jonas): 11/28-12/2, family night on 11/30 from 6-8pm. Theme is Hibernate with a Book. Sign ups will be out soon to help with shopping day (it will be during Library class).
- Dine Out Nights (Kristy Thompson): Thanks to everyone that came out for the November dine out at California Tortilla. Looking forward to the November 10th dine out at Giovanni's Royersford - all orders, all day count towards our event.
- Family Fun (Amanda Dabbeek): Trying to schedule bowling for November at Limerick Bowl but need to work with the corporate office in NJ so communication has been difficult. Working on a winter themed cupcake decorating class for December. Targeting a painting event for January. Now through December 10th, families will get a discounted price of \$20/person at the Limerick Escape Room - just use code LHSA.
- Fundraising (Kristy Thompson): Running calendar lottery ticket fundraiser to raise money for new garden beds in the outdoor classroom. Looking into other fundraiser ideas for spring. Suggestions? Send to LESFundraising1@gmail.com.
- Holiday Shop (Christine Bateman): set up for the week of 12/5, more info coming once we get time slots from teachers.
- Kids Bingo (Susan Gilbert): Coming in the spring.
- Outdoor Classroom/Beautification (Anthony Bubel): trunk or treat was great, over 20 cars. Wawa hoagie coupon fundraiser kicking off day after Thanksgiving, funds will be used for pond cleaning.
- School Store (Christine Bateman): putting schedule together, this year want to do one class per day by grade and some classes are requesting early time slots.
- Spirit Wear (Kristy Thompson): vendor we were working with has stopped responding. Working to find a new vendor. Some suggestions from attendees include adding gloves and pet wear as available items.
- Staff Appreciation (Christine Bateman): \$410 in donations plus items for staff boos. Teachers were very happy with this and the caramel apple bar.
- Yearbook (Kate Blitzstein): 64 books sold and earned 4 for the school. Committee will be meeting soon.

## Upcoming Events

- Upcoming events were reviewed.

Call to Adjourn - Jennie Jonas motioned, seconded by Kathy Morris. Meeting adjourned at 8:16pm.