

**CLINTON CENTRAL SCHOOL**  
**PTA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**  
**APRIL 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019**

1. Call to Order at 7:00 pm
2. President's Report
  - Board positions for the upcoming year - All but one position are available.
3. Committee Reports
  - Farm to School - Continuing to try new foods.
  - Gertrude Hawk – Update on delivery dates - deliver may be on Monday. Distribution would maybe be Tuesday and Thursday. Robocall hopefully will go out.
4. Executive Board Reports
  - Vice President - Angela is not here.
  - Secretary - NA
  - Membership - NA
  - Communication - Brain Show was last week. K-2 and 3-5, it was a huge hit. Easy to coordinate. 20% of the students were able to participate. Maybe next time, get an extra podium to allow for more student participation, or break up the grade levels, or add Family night. Perhaps do a lottery for the kids beforehand so that it's random who is chosen.
5. Treasurer Report
  - Overview of financial information - Landry receipts for Fun day. Refreshments for middle school, ribbons for elementary. Farm fest 4th grade trip - approved.
6. Past events
  - The Brain Show March 28<sup>th</sup>
7. Upcoming events
  - Incoming Kindergarten Parent night April 25<sup>th</sup> - table with newsletter signup with a plug from the K teachers to go sign up. @ K screenings too?
  - Teacher Appreciation Lunch Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> - funds are budgeted. Lunch is still on, not sure about the gifts.
  - Ice Cream Social - June 13<sup>th</sup>, Last year everything mostly donated. Need the cafeteria area. New gym for bike rodeo if weather is not okay.
  - **If you're interested in volunteering for any of these upcoming events please email us at [ccsnypta@gmail.com](mailto:ccsnypta@gmail.com)!**
8. Board of Education Report - Budget season: Vote May 21st (2 open positions) May 14th in cafeteria budget presentation and Meet the Candidates.
9. Principals' Reports
  - Elementary: Well underway. Main office is down. Art room is down. Starting upstairs in Monica Mosher's room shortly. Sidewalk may be blocked in front of the school. It will be in the newsletter once they know. Testing was all paper, no computers. Scheduling is happening at the elementary - needs to address PE criteria. Issues with TicToc app. Letter will be sent out regarding it to parents.

- Middle School: School to Watch - National program. Self-evaluation with faculty: Areas that they have found they need to improve. Sharing what is going on within the school. Practices. Schedule overhaul - looking at criteria for what middle schoolers need to have. Looking at the curriculum to make sure everything is aligned. By June, the application should be submitted to NYS. NYS may come into the middle school next year if chosen. Students will be interviewed and teachers will be evaluated. If we are chosen as a School to watch, there would be a local celebration that they would like the PTA involved in. Looking for individuals to find out why we do not want to take part in state assessments. It doesn't affect teachers and principals, it's not part of APPR anymore. The test has also been reduced from 3 to 2 days and has fewer questions. Teachers also took part in creating the test. Need PTA to spread the word and educate people regarding the tests. Districts will now be evaluated on participation as well as performance.
- High School: Main office will be in the media center in June due to construction. June 26th will be the last day that teachers will be allowed in due to asbestos removal. 2020 school year - partnering with Boces to do Regional Program for Excellence. Restructuring time with counselors to help students. Survey will be sent out to parents regarding student needs. Teacher luncheon - gifts appreciated but not needed.

#### 10. Special Guest – Sara Groh, President, Board of Trustees, Kirkland Town Library

- Your Library, Your Voice. Primarily funded by the Town of Kirkland. Education Law 259 - primary source of funding. Will allow the library to put a measure on school district ballot for funding. Adds stability to funding. The Kirkland Town board currently decides how much funding is allowed. Residents will get to decide what level of funding the library will get by voting. May 21st vote day - measure will be to request funding for funding \$314,000. Pays for normal services in addition extra funding that will allow the library to be opened longer hours (longer hours on Saturdays and open on Sundays during the winter). Additional funding for more programming due to community attendance rising. Renovations also need to happen - new carpet on the 1st floor and a new area for tutoring. Increasing collections (including digital) with funding.

#### 11. New Business

- Voting on the Nominating Committee
  - 3 general members - Erin Higgins, Erin Moore, Lindsay Brodock
  - 2 board members - Laura, Angela
    1. 16 yes (unanimous)
  - **If you're interested in filling one of the open PTA Board positions for the 2019-2020 school year, please email us at [ccsnypta@gmail.com](mailto:ccsnypta@gmail.com)!**

#### 12. Questions

- Sara Walsh spoke up regarding childcare for PTA members. She wants there to be more meetings at convenient times for other members. Erin says there are issues for insurance re: babysitter. She said it could be possible if the school is willing to take it on. Survey might be needed to see what parents want and needed. Sara also volunteered to have a table at K screening.

#### 13. Meeting adjourned –Last meeting June 12<sup>th</sup> 8:36 pm