

**Minutes of the Long Branch PTA Meeting
Held June 11, 2012 in the Long Branch Art room**

Attendees: Beth Dowd, Janet Dorn, Felicia Russo, Karen Kelly, Rob Frye, Christy Hicks, Sandy Deysson, Louisa Marinaccio, Lisa Faris, Elizabeth Piepenbring, Mary Kane, Shelley Nickles, Susan Nguyen, Patty Rowland, Dana Sapatoru.

Meeting began at 6:17pm with introductions around the room.

Approval of the minutes: The proposed minutes of the May 2012 PTA meeting were distributed and reviewed. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Slate of officers was unanimously approved for next year:

President - Beth Dowd
Vice President - Karen Kelly
Treasurer - Terri Stewart
CCPTA - Rob Frye
Secretary - Christy Hicks

President, Beth Dowd: We are thinking the library disbursement will be \$20,000. The end of year profit is \$37,000. With expenses for next year, minus the library funds, this would allow us to have \$18,000 in reserve for any unexpected expenditures. The library money would go towards books and some tables. An announcement will be made so parents know what the money went too and also that it took two years to accrue this much money. It's an every other year cycle. ---Library disbursement approved---

- A summer newsletter will go out from Beth and Felicia.
- We have reinstated the Volunteer of the Year Award. This year it goes to Susan Nguyen. Thank you Susan for all your hard work on the auction!! Applause. She was given two orchids from the PTA.
- Ice cream social on Thursday, August 30 from 3pm-5pm. We will need volunteers.
- CCPTA – annual officers training on June 18th.
- One of the candidate's for school board, current outgoing PTA President at Science Focus, came to Long Branch for 2 hours today. He did reach out as others have not. Well spoken and motivated. This was his 30th school visit. He has been to all county meetings. I think it's important to keep communication open with the school board.
- New schools will be put in bond vote in November but wouldn't happen until 2015.
- The Spring Fair was very successful. Thank you Louisa! We had a great turn out. The flow was good and the bungee line moved fast and kids had a long turn. LB brought in \$5,000.00 between food and tickets. I'm not sure of our profit yet but don't think we lost money. Maybe next year we should have a Spanish speaking person to translate. We are not doing the goldfish again. There were a lot of complaints, some positive but

most not. It was suggested that LB consider buying a snow cone maker, since we rent one every year and extended day rents them too.

- We now have a PTA cooler for use for class picnics, etc. It will be stored in the PTA closet.
- Thank you everybody, it's been a great year.

A big round the room thank you to Beth for all her hard work.

The theme for the Reflections contest for next year will be, The Magic of the Moment. A note will be put in the Principals Pen so kids can get started over the summer if they would like.

Principal, Felicia Russo: LB will be painted and carpeted this summer. Some teachers wanted rooms to be tiled instead of carpeted.

- Today at the council meetings we discussed SOL results. Math results much lower through county because they changed the test some and more students took SOL's online this year, which means more mistakes. Scores statewide are much lower. Only online results available, paper and pencil tests have not been scored yet. Still have some make-ups. CIP meeting coming up and there will be talk on boundaries. Tuckahoe, Nottingham, and Jamestown will be affected first but look for a ripple effect.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Christy Hicks, 2011-2012 PTA Secretary.