

## Committee Reports-5/31/2017 PTA Meeting

### VP Reports

**Briarwood – (Nicole Takla, [nicoletakla@gmail.com](mailto:nicoletakla@gmail.com)); (Alexis Seubert, [alexis@zenweb.com](mailto:alexis@zenweb.com))**

- Step Up Day for 2nd graders is Monday June 5th. Anyone who ordered a shirt should have received it by now.
- The second grade play is Wednesday, June 7th. Second grade parents will be able to purchase a DVD of the performance. We will accept payment that day and DVDs will be delivered to you before the end of the school year. The form is currently available on Document Manager.
- Kindergarten Celebrates is Wednesday, June 14th at 9am. Kindergarten parents will be able to purchase a DVD of the performance. We will accept payment that day and DVDs will be delivered before the end of the school year. Please look for the order form on Document Manager in the upcoming weeks.
- Preschool Field Day is Thursday June 15th rain or shine.
- Briarwood's Field Day is Monday, June 19th at 12:45pm. Shirt orders have been placed and will be delivered the week before the event.
- On Thursday June 22nd we will hold our 3rd annual PTA End of Year Dance Party. All families are welcome to join us on the black top to celebrate a great year of school. Be on the look out for the flier on Document Manager to see your child's time slot.
- Have a great summer!

**Brooklake – (Kathy Henning, [kathyhenning@optonline.net](mailto:kathyhenning@optonline.net); Jennifer Casola, [jcasola@gmail.com](mailto:jcasola@gmail.com))**

- **End of Year Celebration/Kona Ice** -On Wednesday, June 14, 2017, The PTA will host a year-end celebration for all Brooklake Students. As part of this celebration, shaved ice will be provided by Kona Ice. Please be sure you return the permission slip by Friday, June 9th so your child can enjoy this treat. The permission slip can be found in the PTA Weekly Newsletter or on the Document Manager. Per school policy, no student will be served without parent approval. All class moms should refer to the PTA email they received regarding collection of permission slips. Any questions, please email [jcasola@gmail.com](mailto:jcasola@gmail.com).
- **Field Day Shirts** - Orders are now closed and are being processed. Shirts will be delivered via homerooms the week of June 12th in time for Field Day on June 19th. The PTA will also be providing water for this event.
- **5th Grade Class Gift** - Once again, the PTA is happy to be able to provide a gift to all 5th grade students. Students in 5th grade will receive a commemorative t-shirt from the PTA prior to their class trip to Medieval Times. T-shirts will be distributed via homeroom teachers the day of the trip.
- **5th Grade Clapout** - Clapout will take place on the last day of school, Friday, June 21st immediately prior to dismissal. Please check the Document Manager for more specifics as the date approaches.

**Ridgedale – (Alfie Zirpoli, [zirpoli5@gmail.com](mailto:zirpoli5@gmail.com); Valerie Huang, [huangfamily711@yahoo.com](mailto:huangfamily711@yahoo.com))**

- 6th Grade Orientation: June 1, 2017
- 8th Grade Dance: June 9, 2017
- 8th Grade Trip to DC : June 13-15 PTA will be sending coolers of water for the kids on the trip

- Field Day: June 16. PTA hosts the event where there will be food, music and wrecking ball inflatable . Volunteer sign up will be put out for parents
- 8th Grade Pool Party: June 20th: PTA sponsors food, dessert and drinks for the class. Sign ups for volunteers are out.
- Graduation: June 22nd
- Met with Principal Christ regarding next year's agenda from the PTA. We are working on a few really great events and programs for the students in addition to the pep rallies and dances. We are excited to have Volleyball added to the school next winter. Looking forward to a great 2017/ 2018 school year!

**Treasurer Report (Kristen Fox, [kristenfox@optonline.net](mailto:kristenfox@optonline.net))**

PTA Balances as of 5/28/17:

PTA Checking Account: \$76,714.50

PTA Savings Account: \$10,104.06

PTA Food Account: \$16,695.88

PTA Gaming Account: \$100.00

**Food Treasurer Report (Jennifer Pulice, [jennpulice@aol.com](mailto:jennpulice@aol.com))**

As the year comes to an end, I am proud of the lunch program we put into place and its successful first year.

Our last session began on Tuesday, May 30th and will end in Thursday, June 15th for Ridgedale and Friday, June 16th for Briarwood and Brooklake. Please remember to pack your child a bagged lunch for the remainder of the school year.

Please contact [florhamparklunch@gmail.com](mailto:florhamparklunch@gmail.com) if you have any lunch requests or complaints or concerns about the program.

**Arts in Education (Liliana Cannizzo, [lilianacannizzo@gmail.com](mailto:lilianacannizzo@gmail.com))**

We finished up the year with a very successful Brain Game assembly and are proud of all of the assemblies we were able to provide the students this year. We are looking forward to some great ones for next year.

**Board of Ed Liaison Report (Tracy Hunt, [tracylhunt@yahoo.com](mailto:tracylhunt@yahoo.com))**

Board of Education Meeting April 24

Superintendent Report

Enrollment: 954 Students

Dr Varley noted that the PTA Prize Party raised \$24K and complemented the PTA on such an enjoyable and successful event.

Mr. Csatlos did a Budget Presentation:

[https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1r89scULCjEKN3ealMV9vRWhc\\_Zg6pJQpXRtIWU37yQU/edit#slide=id.p10](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1r89scULCjEKN3ealMV9vRWhc_Zg6pJQpXRtIWU37yQU/edit#slide=id.p10)

Dr Caponegro reminded everyone that the Brooklake Play Willy Wonka Jr is May 18/19th at RMS. He gave Wonka Bars to the board members.

Highlights of Committee Reports:

Curriculum: [http://www.fpk.org/pdf/Committees/Curriculum/Curriculum\\_Meeting\\_April.pdf](http://www.fpk.org/pdf/Committees/Curriculum/Curriculum_Meeting_April.pdf)

Finance: [http://www.fpk.org/pdf/Committees/Finance\\_Facility\\_Transport/AprilFFMINUTES.pdf](http://www.fpk.org/pdf/Committees/Finance_Facility_Transport/AprilFFMINUTES.pdf)

Dr Caponegro and Mr. Christ are making a trip to the Library of Congress to procure surplus books for our schools.

Mr Shanley attended town meeting and heard more about the housing projects and development plans.

Open public comment:

Mr. Winters asked if there is a long range facilities plan. Asked about tiles & ceiling at Brooklake and if there are asbestos concerns.

Mr Shanley reminded everyone about the RMS play Pajama game and the upcoming Spring Concert at Brooklake.

### **Board of Education Meeting May 30**

Superintendent Report:

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Dr Varley recognized Dr Caponegro for his efforts in acquiring books for our schools from the Library of Congress.

She thanked Stephanie Rauschenberger for her three years of service as president of the PTA.

Mr. Csatos was recognized for all his efforts in the Project Community Pride 5K run.

Ms. Marchiterre and Ms. Kuzemczak did a presentation on their action research project focusing on Writers Readers Workshop. Their focus was on 5th grade and showed their investigation into how students perceive their reading comprehension and how classroom library contributed to motivation.

Mrs Glabb awarded Benjamin Jimenes and Lauren Canales each with a Over and Bee-yond Award.

Benjamin is an exceptional 1st Grade student at Briarwood. His teacher, Lauren Canales knew how much he loves the Mets and contacted the organization in an attempt to get Benjamin to meet the players. She was successful and Benjamin was able to spend the day at Citi Field and meet players and tour the facility. He is going back this Thursday, June 1st and will throw out the opening pitch at the 1:10 game. Ms. Glabb is going to have the students watch and wear Mets colors that day to celebrate.

Lauren Canales has been with the district for 6 years.

The 2nd Grade Musical (A Mixed Up Fairy Tale) is taking place on June 7th.

Highlights from Committee Report discussion:

NJ School Insurance group awarded our district with a safety award for \$10,200. The funds will be used to further enhance our security.

District 3rd party contracts when compared to like districts show that we have the lowest rates for professional services (auditors, attorneys, Medical Professionals).

Sanitation and disposal contract will be changed from Pryer to Tarraselli at \$9,500/yr

Facilities: Work Family Connection before/aftercare will accommodate everyone on the wait list for next year.

RMS dust collector has been replaced and a new HVAC and water heater will be installed at Briarwood.

BKL/BWD parking lots will have pothole filling, estimates for lot repair so far have been outside budget.

A math consultant for 3rd-8th will be starting this fall.

For more detail see Committee Meeting Minutes:

[http://www.fpk.org/pdf/Committees/Finance\\_Facility\\_Transport/MAYFFMINUTES.pdf](http://www.fpk.org/pdf/Committees/Finance_Facility_Transport/MAYFFMINUTES.pdf)

[http://www.fpk.org/pdf/Committees/Policy\\_Personnel/May\\_Personnel\\_Policy\\_Minutes.pdf](http://www.fpk.org/pdf/Committees/Policy_Personnel/May_Personnel_Policy_Minutes.pdf)

Public Comment:

Several parents spoke of their concerns over the decision to reduce class number for the incoming 1st and 3rd grade classes. Currently, the plan is to reduce both grades from 5 to 4 classes.

Dr. Varley stated that there is some information that we will be losing students in the 2017/18 year. There will also be a letter going out reminding anyone leaving the district to inform the school if their child will not be returning. The current policy is for K-2nd, the class size shall not exceed 22 students. For 3rd-8th grade, class size shall not exceed 24 students. They would reevaluate if those numbers were exceeded.

Jane Ostrowsky, a first year 4th grade teacher at Brooklake, spoke about how she loves her job and complimented the school/staff and Board.

**Box Tops (Karen Corrao, [kar4113@yahoo.com](mailto:kar4113@yahoo.com))**

We will have one more collection at the end of May. Please remember to send the Box Tops in a baggie/envelope marked with your child's classroom.

**Campbell's Labels (Joanne Holmes, [jovholmes@hotmail.com](mailto:jovholmes@hotmail.com))**

Please continue to submit any labels for the "Label for Education Program" as we can redeem for art supplies and gym equipment until July of this year. The program will end at that time. Thanks to all the families that have submitted to this committee.

**Brooklake Yearbook (Gina Cicarelli, [gcicarelli@mac.com](mailto:gcicarelli@mac.com))**

52 pages submitted 5/3/2017 to Memory Book and we are awaiting delivery in mid June. 294 yearbooks were ordered. Watch document manager for any further information.

**Track (Karen Alessio, [galessio@optonline.net](mailto:galessio@optonline.net))**

Our 2017 track season was a great success. The RMS team traveled to five track meets and have county championships on May 30 for middle school girls and June 1 for our middle school boys. Good Luck RMS!

Brooklake runners were able to experience the Hanover Park track this season. They also participated in a fun meet at HP.

Our 2017 track season concludes June 2. Thank you for everyone's help and support!

**Carnival Committee (Kristen Rowe & Alexis Seubert, [fpfunfair@gmail.com](mailto:fpfunfair@gmail.com))**

The end of year PTA Fun Fair is coming up on Saturday June 3rd from 11-4 (rain date July 4th same time). We have a lot of fun inflatables, DJ, Face Painter, pizza, popcorn, cotton candy and more! Please purchase your tickets today and join us for a Fun event!

<https://florhamparkpta.formstack.com/forms/funfair>

**Eighth Grade Dance (Linda Rozek, [lrozek@verizon.net](mailto:lrozek@verizon.net), Karen Kunze, [karenandsherri@gmail.com](mailto:karenandsherri@gmail.com) )**

The 8th Grade Dance is less than two weeks away!! We have spent the last month sending out invitations, meeting with our committees, meeting with the fire marshal and placing orders for decorations, tables, food, etc.

We concluded our fundraising at the end of April, bringing in close to \$8,000!

We will start setting up for the dance the afternoon of Wednesday, June 7th and continue through the morning of June 9th.

Looking forward to treating our 8th grade students to an awesome night.

**Back to School Packs (RMS-Tracy Granata, [tracytg@optonline.net](mailto:tracytg@optonline.net), Brooklake-Beth Haberman, [bethhaberman@me.com](mailto:bethhaberman@me.com), Briarwood-Meijie Diskin, [dmeilie@yahoo.com](mailto:dmeilie@yahoo.com) )**

**RMS** - School supplies for Ridgedale is offered through School Kidz. Ordering is open now through 6/22 and delivery will be the week of 8/21.

**Brooklake** - Brooklake School supply sale is well underway. Supply lists have been finalized and the sale site is active for grades 3-5. Delivery is expected early in the week of 8/21 with pick up dates to be scheduled later in the week and the following week.

**Briarwood** – Briarwood school kits ordering is open now through 6/22. Please check document manager for additional information and order form.