

**Fairfield Ludlowe High School**  
**PTA Meeting**  
**Minutes of the Meeting**  
**Thursday, April 11, 2019**

1. **Attendance:** Steve Baker, Amy Cooke, Dorene Herron, Janice Mayeran, Greg Hatzis, Carrie Rullo, Christine Magliocco, Jessica Gerber, Stephanie Mastino, Courtney Bradley, Heather Reilly, Cynthia Waldrin
2. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Steve Baker at 6:10pm
3. **Approval of Minutes:** Dorene Herron motioned to accept the March 2019 PTA meeting minutes; Carrie Rullo seconded. Motion approved.
4. **Reports of Officers**

**Treasurer Report: Kathy Russell**

- Report submitted and on file

**VP Programs Report: Courtney Bradley**

- Senior Center luncheon was held on February 26. Students from Warde/Ludlowe culinary and orchestra departments volunteered food and music. The event was well received by the Seniors. For next year, the committee would like for it to be held in the spring time to avoid any snow dates and schedule the event months in advance.
- A CPR/AED program for 9<sup>th</sup> grade health classes was held. \$300/day for a total of \$600. Good feedback from students/parents; students felt they learned something. The program fell in line with the Falcon Footprint.
- Courtney introduced two possible programs she's looking to bring to Ludlowe:
  - In conjunction with Fairfield Warde, sponsoring speaker Harlen Cohen author of "The Naked Roommate" series. Fairfield Cares would cover \$1,800 and Ludlowe/Warde would need to chip in \$800/each. Discussion ensued about positives/negatives of such an event.
  - Sponsoring a screening of the documentary "Angst" – a film designed to raise awareness around anxiety. Three to four showings would cost \$1,000. Discussion ensued about planning for it and the possibility of getting a PTA Council Grant. The movie would need to be previewed first and look for a Fall screening time.

**Volunteer Report: Christine Magliocco**

- By the May 9<sup>th</sup> PTA meeting, the Volunteer Committee is hoping to have the volunteer slate filled
- The committee is looking for Volunteers to help with Senior Awards
- Heather Reilly/Cynthia Waldrin, part of the committee for the balloon delivery, are looking for a few people to shadow so it can be handed off. Jen Moore has interest in taking it over, other committee members would still be needed.
- Teacher/Staff Appreciation week is May 6 – 10. Elizabeth Dillabough needs volunteers and a SignUpGenius will be going out via the Falcon Flash.
- Volunteers are needed for post prom parties and the Falcon Award committee

**Headmaster's Report: Greg Hatzis**

- Important Dates:
  - Graduation date is set for June 14; exact time is TBD

- Final exam dates are June 10-13
- June 13 caps/gowns delivery
- Senior Prom is May 31 / Junior Prom is May 18
- May 23 first day of Senior internships
- Mr. Hatzis had planned to present a review of FPS homework policy; but due to timing and limited attendance just held a Q&A with the members

## 5. Reports of Committees

- **Teachers Report:** Janice Mayeran
  - Report of teachers' accomplishments submitted and on file
  - Janice reviewed the submissions for the meeting
- **Project Runway:** Carrie Rullo
  - Report submitted and on file
  - 8 requests for funds all have been approved at some level; \$4,120 have been approved, but only \$800 has been reimbursed so far
  - Carrie asked for feedback from the staff on the new grant submission format
- **BOE:** Jessica Gerber
  - BOE Budget has been reviewed by the RTM and the vote is on May 6. Please send a note to RTM asking them to keep intact; \$700k was cut already.
  - HYA&A appointed as the Superintendent search firm. Focus groups / meetings will be held, and have had over 1K on the superintendent survey so far which is really good. The findings on their "Vision of a Superintendent" for FPS will be presented at the May 7 meeting
  - On May 29 the BOE will be given a proposed slate of people who meet the qualifications. Beginning of June semi-finalist interviews will happen with finalists interviewed by the end of June. Hopefully the new Superintendent can begin 30-60 days after the offer is made/accepted. In the meantime, the BOE will be looking for an Interim Superintendent.
  - Jessica offered a side note of a proposal at the State level that the burden of teacher pensions will not be evenly distributed and Fairfield is at risk for having to pay a higher amount. She asked that we contact our state senator to ask them not to support this and advocate for our town.

6. **Adjournment:** Steve Baker adjourned the meeting at 7:31pm