

Signature PTSA Meeting Minutes
November 8, 2017 (6pm – 7:30pm)
Evansville Central Library

Guest Speaker – Laura Arrick: Signature Youth First Representative

- Youth First is a nonprofit agency that specializes in
 - Social Work within the area High Schools and some Middle Schools
 - Conducts after school and evening programs that focus on strengthening families and family connections
 - Partnership with area hospitals on Family Foundations (working with pregnant couples)
 - In It to Win It program (leadership building at the Middle school level)
- The Youth First Representative is not a part of the school staff
- Present at Signature on Tuesday and Thursdays on the 6th floor.
- Private and confidential sessions with those students in need
- Education
 - Freshman Teen Series – held during Resource period in small groups. Focus on mental health awareness, depression, ways to handle stress, good vs bad relationships, drug awareness
 - Sophomore – held during Health class. Suicide Awareness – QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer)
- Serves as PRIDE Alliance Sponsor at Signature
- Promoted the Stamp Out Stigma event held last year
- Available to Staff if a need arises within the classroom
- Works with approximately 20-30 students on a weekly basis for immediate needs they might have (depression, anxiety, communication issues with friends, dating issues, divorce / finance issues at home, anger management, stress management)
- Follow Youth First on Facebook – many good reference articles posted daily

Meeting was called to order by President Karen Cinelli. Introductions were made.

Attendance -- Karen Cinelli, Amy Wolf, Beth Hafele, Jennifer Potter, Amy Hoon, Laura Arrick, LeAnn Freeman and Craig Blessinger.

Secretary Report – Amy Wolf made a motion to approve the October minutes, Amy Hoon seconded. The minutes were approved.

- November birthdays have been sent out. All gift cards for 1st semester have been purchased.
- PTSA By-Laws Review. Updates due by January 2018. Executive Committee members have reviewed the bylaws. Changes made to bring model into agreement with current National / State model. Only additional change to the bylaws is in Article XI: General Membership Meetings, Section D. Proposed change to read as follows:
 - Nine (9) members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business in any meeting of this association. In the event nine members are not present and a vote is needed, members may be called to ensure a quorum is reached.
 - Did not have a quorum at this meeting to approve the proposed changes. Will hold for vote at the December meeting.

Treasurer Report: The following was reported by Treasurer Amy Hoon

- October ending balance \$19,166.48 in PTSA account.
- No change in the gaming account.
- Ford Drive Check has arrived. Check amount was for \$5980. Net profit on the event was \$4985.71.
- Main Street Attraction final numbers are \$3865 (as compared to \$2800 in 2016 and \$3866 in 2015)

Committee Reports:

- Hangers Work Event: Amy Wolf. Tuesday, November 14th 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- Give Back Events: LeAnn Freeman.
 - Wednesday, November 15th 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Jason's Deli
 - Wednesday, December 13th. All Day event. All Azzip Pizza Locations. Gift Cards count.
- Barnes and Noble Book Fair Fundraiser: Christine Boss
 - In-Store Event Sunday, November 19th. On-line purchases November 19th - 25th.
- Teacher Snacks: Amy Wolf. December Snacks to be served on Wednesday, November 29th
- Cook Book Project: Amy Wolf
 - Information has been sent out in an all school email. Recipes may be entered at any time. Targeting Spring for printing / selling of cookbooks.
- Holiday Teacher and Staff Luncheon: Kim Rashada. Date Set: Monday, December 18th
- Senior Luncheon will be chaired by Jennifer Potter and Brooksie Smith

Presidents Report:

- Area Council Meeting: November 14th Fairlawn Elementary. Topic QPR Suicide Prevention 5:30
- New Location for December PTSA Meeting. Will be held from 11:30 – 1pm at the East side (Green River Road location) of Azzip. Give Back set for that date.
- Speaker at January 10th evening PTSA meeting will be Mr. Tom Kaze. President of University of Evansville. Hospitality will be asked to assist with snacks for that meeting.
- School Needs: They can always use Kleenex and Clorox Wipes going into the cold season.

Upcoming Activities:

December PTSA Meeting
Wednesday, December 13th
11:30 – 1pm
Azzip, Green River Road

NO FUN FRIDAY MEETINGS IN
NOVEMBER OR DECEMBER!

Meeting adjourned
Respectfully Submitted,
Secretary – Beth Hafele

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