Lebanon Borough School PTA Meeting 2/3/25

Attendance: Heather Berg, Bruce Arcurio, Brandon Borzelli, Kristen Abeles, Mrs. Baker, Ruth Karavidas

Paperwork: Agenda, Treasurers Report, Log of Expenses/Deposits

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 by Heather Berg.

Dr. Arcurio's Report

- At our January faculty meeting, staff engaged in discussions on *The Anxious Generation*(Chapters 3 & 4). We will be discussing the next two chapters at our faculty meeting
 next week.
- State-mandated testing was conducted to evaluate English proficiency levels, determining whether students continue in or exit the ELL program.
- Tryouts for *High School Musical Jr.* were held, and a Dance Club is in development to prepare choreography for the production.
- In the Governor's State of the State Address, he indicated further support for universal preschool and making full-day Kindergarten mandatory.
- The district is undergoing a state monitoring process for special education compliance.
 Initial feedback from evaluators has been positive, highlighting the hard work and organization of Mrs. Heller in ensuring students' needs are met.
- We will have a Wingman Activity Day next week.

Treasurer's Report

- We have a balance of \$4678.88 in our account.
 - This includes a Box Tops check for \$106
 - o This does not include one uncleared check.

Upcoming Events

Dance – February 21, 6-8pm

- We have a few volunteers for this event: Amy Sjursen, Chenelle Romero, Angela Carlucci
- Mrs. Baker suggested a "Dress to Impress" theme, which all agreed is a good idea that could be executed simply.
- Heather Berg will make a flyer, and Angela Carlucci will make a signup.
- Mrs. Baker has hung up a few decorations near the bathrooms.

Growing Stage Field Trip – February 25

• Mrs. Ingram inquired if the PTA could fund a trip to the Growing Stage for grades 4, 5 and 6. The total cost would be \$384. All approved this request. Ruth Karavidas will provide a check to Mrs. Ingram.

"Taste of Lebanon" Event - March 28 6-8pm

- Participants will choose a recipe of any kind to make and share at their table. They do not necessarily have to be tied to nationality or geographic region.
- Heather Berg will create an interest form. We will need to know how many participants we will have and whether they will require electricity. We should encourage foods that don't require heating, as we have limited outlets in the multi-purpose room.
- We will ask participants to bring copies of their recipes to help with allergy concerns. Kristen Abeles suggested making a folder to collect the recipes, so each attendee leaves with a "recipe book".

Basket Bingo - Date TBD

- Brandon Borzelli will talk to Kathleen Sellig to determine which form she used to acquire the gambling license for the Basket Bingo event. He wants to make sure that the forms he is filling out is a blanket permission for 2 years, rather than a specific event.
- Heather Berg suggested raffling "VIP seats" for the Spring concert as a Bingo prize

Miscellaneous

- Mrs. Baker suggested a literacy event as part of Read Across America, in which the PTA reads to students.
- Mrs. Baker inquired whether people are using Artsonia to determine if it is still worth her efforts. All agreed that people still use it.

Heather Berg adjourned the meeting at 7:06pm.