

Agenda

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m. Meeting notes in red.



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- Principal's Update
- Testing and SOLs
- President's Update: Open positions
 - 2 open positions
- VP Updates: Teacher Appreciation, Book Swap
- Treasurer's Report
- New items

Attendance

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- Amy Whiteman
- C. Penton
- D. Wells
- N. Pierce
- K. Griffith
- E. Messier
- E. Mead
- Kelly DeShields
- Mira Salhotra
- Joanne Fulmer
- Kay Shear
- Lisa Locke
- Leona Stout
- Maria Filgueira
- Haemin Shin
- Cheryl Mendis
- Pam Hixson
- Kim Carter
- Donna Bordwell
- Barbara Gellison
- VaRonica Sloan
- Bob D'Amato
- Betty Nolan
- Kaileen Galhouse
- Mai Hamoudeh
- Kalpana Krishnaswamy

Principal/Vice-Principal Report

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- Thank you to the PTA for a great Teacher Appreciation Week!
- The garden is starting to bloom! Lots of connections to the curriculum by grade level.
- Hoping to have the 6th grade promotion out back. Still designing how it will look. Hoping to utilize the space and benefit from it moving forward.
- Planning for next year: themes, student placement, teacher selection, parent input form (don't place teacher names, this is about the learning environment) due in June (voluntary).
- June: Volunteer Tea
- New electric sign for in front of the school! Updated quicker via iPad.
- Teachers are working hard preparing for SOLs.

SOL Assessments

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New items happening to elementary schools in Virginia this year...

- Computer Adaptive (CAT) and Traditional

- both online (paper available)

- **Computer Adaptive:**

- 3rd-5th Reading

- 3rd-7th Math

- **Traditional:**

- 6th Reading

- 4th Virginia Studies

- 5th Science

LCES Testing Dates

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Thank you for not scheduling vacations during the test dates. Please contact school ASAP if your child needs scheduling accommodations.

□ 3rd Grade:

- May 17: CAT Reading
- May 31: CAT Math

□ 4th Grade:

- May 18: CAT Reading
- May 25: VA Studies
- June 2: CAT Math

□ 5th Grade:

- May 19: CAT Reading
- May 24: CAT Math
- May 30: Science

□ 6th Grade:

- May 23: Reading
- June 1: CAT Math

Computer Adaptive Tests

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Computer adaptive testing is an assessment format that provides a customized assessment for every student.

The computer selects questions and problems that are neither too difficult nor too easy based on the content knowledge demonstrated by the test taker.

Benefits to CAT testing

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- Proven to increase student focus and engagement because students are asked questions based upon their responses to previous questions.
 - Customized to each student's ability level, fewer questions are needed to accurately determine each student's achievement level.
- versus-
- All students who take a particular version of the test respond to the same test questions.

What is a passage-based CAT?

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- Reading:
 - The computer selects the passages and questions that are neither too difficult nor too easy based on the content knowledge demonstrated by each test taker.
 - A passage and item set are selected from a collection or “pool” of passages and questions.

What is a passage-based CAT?

- Reading:
 - The questions associated with a passage may have multiple variations of item difficulty.

 - A student's performance on the entire set of questions for a passage will determine the overall level of difficulty for the set of items delivered to the student with the next passage.

CAT Scaled Scores

- Scaled scores range from 0 to 600, with 400 indicating pass/proficient and 500 indicating pass/advanced.
- The scaled score is determined by the number of questions answered correctly **AND** the difficulty level of the questions answered correctly.

Expedited Retakes

(This is about the 3rd year that the retake has been available in Virginia)

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- Score from 375-399
- Parent Permission
 - ▣ SOL Parent Letter (Please return it to the school)
 - ▣ Notification, if eligible
 - ▣ Remediation Required-*Student Score Report*
 - ▣ Date of scheduled Retake

FCPS Electronic Device Policy

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- **Cell phones and other electronic devices:** *While in the testing room, students may not access cell phones or other electronic devices while any students are testing. Students who refuse to remove their cell phones or other electronic devices from their work area (such as from pockets, desk tops, purses, backpacks stored within reach, etc.), will not be permitted to test until the device is secured (as local policy permits). Review the school division policy regarding cell phones and other electronic devices with the students.*

SOL Resources

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- VDOE:
 - ▣ <http://www.doe.virginia.gov/index.shtml>
- CAT:
 - ▣ http://doe.virginia.gov/testing/test_administration/cat/index.shtml

Open Positions

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- Nominating committee (Paula Kramp, Sheri Hodinko, Christy Youk) has recommended the following candidates for executive board positions—
 - President: Kay Shear
 - 2nd VP: Kim Mattiello
 - If anyone else has a desire to be a part of this possess, we will officially take a vote and greet these folks in June.
- Other committees need help!
 - 50/50 raffle committee – TBD
 - Book Fair – we need a “flex” person who has availability during the day
 - Dining Day – coordinating fundraising dining days
 - Family Fun – need a third person to assist
 - Membership – need a second person to assist; process is set; need help managing
 - 6th grade basketball coach – need coaches!

Teacher Appreciation - Flowers

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This year during Teacher Appreciation week, the PTA decided to offer Parents the opportunity to pre-order flowers for delivery to the student classroom. (Primary goal was to: make parents' lives easier/give to "specials" teachers)

	Online	Paper	Total
Stems Pre-Ordered	378 (41%)	551 (59%)	929
Income	\$ 529	\$ 934	\$1,463
Expenses			\$ 764
Profit/Fundraising	*prices were rounded - didn't want quarters coming in in baggies – the intent was not fundraising. ;)		\$ 698

Take-Aways:

Pre-order - will adjust the cut-off date, etc.

Timing and Communications

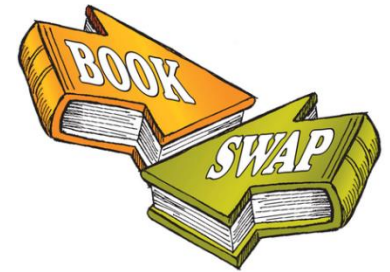
Volunteer sign up for distribution



Lees Corner Book Swap

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- The Lees Corner Book Swap provides an opportunity for students to trade books – bring a book, take a book.
- **Goal:**
- Get students excited about reading over the summer.
- **How it works:**
- Students bring in books. For each book turned in during the collection, a student may select a new book during the swap. No limit to bringing in books, 15 book limit per student on choosing new books.
- **Key Dates:**
- June 12-14 – Students bring in books before school for collection
- June 19 – Setup for the Book Swap in library
- June 19-20 – Book Swap in library
- **What we need:**
- Volunteers – sign-up sheet to help setup and man the swap will come out in June.



Budget vs. Actual

New activity since we last met is highlighted in gray.



Lees Corner PTA 2016 - 2017 Budget vs. Actuals

	Budget	Includes flower \$ Actuals	Variance
2000 Sources of Income (Net)			
Dues	\$ 10,000	\$ 17,888	\$ 7,888
Donations	\$ 1,500	\$ 5,597	\$ 4,097
Fundraising		\$ 1,184	\$ 1,184
Hallowingo	\$ 7,500	\$ 8,283	\$ 783
Spirit Wear	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,379	\$ 379
Dining Days	\$ 1,700	\$ 1,275	\$ (425)
Grocery Receipts	\$ 7,000	\$ 364	\$ (6,636)
Box Top Program/School-Pak	\$ 1,500	\$ 575	\$ (925)
6th Grade Basketball Game	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,208	\$ (792)
6th Grade Luncheon	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Extra Curricular Activities			
Overtime Athletics	\$ 3,500	\$ 4,075	\$ 575
After School Programs	\$ 500	\$ 496	\$ (4)
Book Fair	\$ 3,500	\$ 2,797	\$ (703)
Total Sources of Income	\$ 42,700	\$ 49,121	\$ 6,421
Balance Brought Forward from PY	\$ 11,000		\$ (11,000)
Total Source of Income (including PY Funds)	\$ 53,700	\$ 49,121	\$ (4,579)

* Balance in reserve account \$18,000

Budget vs. Actual

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4000 Expenses

Fundraising

Membership	\$	500	\$	184	\$	(316)
Hallowingo	\$	3,800	\$	4,205	\$	405
Total Fundraising Expense	\$	4,300	\$	4,389	\$	89

Committee

Cultural Arts	\$	4,000	\$	1,065	\$	(2,935)
Grounds Beautification	\$	2,000	\$		\$	(2,000)
Outdoor Classroom Maintenance	\$	2,000	\$			
Cafeteria Cleanliness	\$	600	\$	127	\$	(473)
6th Grade Basketball Game	\$	2,000	\$	1,410	\$	(590)
6th Grade Luncheon	\$	2,500	\$	1,051	\$	(1,449)
Teacher Appreciation	\$	3,500	\$	1,433	\$	(2,067)
Total Committee Expenses	\$	16,600	\$	5,086	\$	(11,514)

Crew will be here Wed 5/10 to prep area.

Budget vs. Actual

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Proceeds from book fair that go directly back to the library. Contributed to chairs, table, smartboard.



Should have field trip numbers by the next meeting.

Program				
After School Clubs	\$ 1,000		\$ (1,000)	
Computing	\$ 6,500	\$ 6,200	\$ (300)	
Library Enrichment	\$ 3,500	\$ 2,797	\$ (703)	
School Outings/Field Trips	\$ 7,500		\$ (7,500)	
Leadership Development (Teacher Training)	\$ 3,500	\$ 677	\$ (2,823)	
Positive Behavior (PBIS)	\$ 500	\$ 507	\$ 7	
Total Program Expenses	\$ 22,500	\$ 10,181	\$ (12,319)	
Other	\$ -		\$ -	
Gifts Given	\$ 300		\$ (300)	
Principal Flex Fund	\$ 1,000	\$ 761	\$ (239)	
Teacher Stipends	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	\$ -	
Total Other Expenses	\$ 3,800	\$ 3,261	\$ (539)	
Overhead				
Admin & Supplies	\$ 700	\$ 724	\$ 24	
Insurance	\$ 350	\$ 277	\$ (73)	
Bank Charges	\$ 500	\$ 552	\$ 52	
PTA Dues	\$ 1,300	\$ 1,076	\$ (224)	
Tax Preparation	\$ 500		\$ (500)	
Total Overhead Expenses	\$ 3,350	\$ 2,629	\$ (721)	
Total Expenses	\$ 50,550	\$ 25,546	\$ (25,004)	
Net Use of Funds	\$ 3,150	\$ 23,575	\$ 20,425	
Net Use of Funds (exluding reserve funding)	\$ 3,150	\$ 23,575	\$ 20,425	

New Business

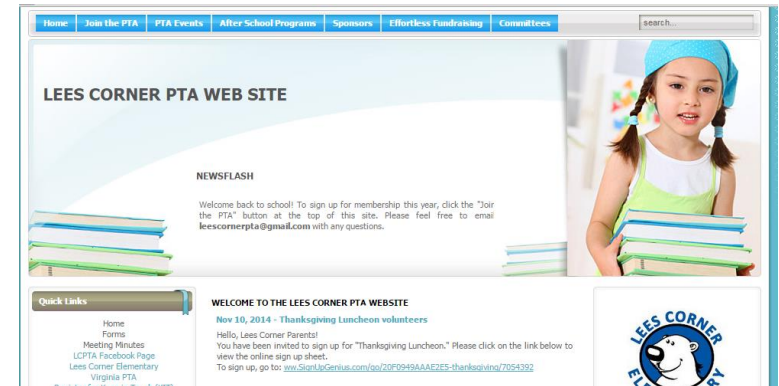
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- Open Committee Chair Positions – see notes on slide 14
- Student Directory for 2017-18 School Year
 - AtoZ phone app and printed directory
 - Not a fundraiser but it is FREE when we distribute their flyer 3-4x/year
 - Feedback: good for child to use, good for addresses and class lists, good for children to use to call classmates for homework help
 - Hopefully they arrive by 11/1
 - Looking for advertisers (small/large businesses, parent-owned businesses)
- Band/Chorus Wednesday night ← combining to make life simpler for everyone.

Resources

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- Web site:
www.leescornerpta.org
 - ▣ Meeting materials will be posted on the home page in the next few days, including the link for the recorded live stream.
- Facebook Group:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/673851072716338/>
 - ▣ Announcements, Q&A, and discussion topics



ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn:
Shear; 2nd: Locke
7:42 p.m.



Next meeting June 12, 2017