## Auburn Village School PTA September 16, 2019

**Members Present**: Sandi Leclair, President; Mindy Bedard, Treasurer; Amy Lachance, Vice Present; Lori Collins, Principal; Alan Villenueve, School Board; Maria Armstrong; Krisal Diorio; Cassidy DeVecchio; Candance Snowdale; Brenda Aziz; Jen Strabone; Jen Anderson; Mei Chau-Hayes; Alyssa Stanton; Danyle Lane; Crystal Way; Loralee Reyes

**Welcome, Introductions & Thank You**- Sandi Leclair introduced the 2019-2020 AVS PTA Board. President- Sandi Leclair, Vice President-Amy Lachance, Treasurer-Mindy Bedard and Secretary- Sarah Galler. Thank you to all the volunteers who have worked hard so early in the school year to get the PTA ready to go. Thanks to Kristal Diorio on a successful Ice Cream Social at the Elementary Open House.

**Fall Fundraiser**- The PTA is again selling Meadow Farms products. Fred will kick off the selling on September 20<sup>th</sup> with the sale ending on October 19<sup>th</sup>. The goal is to sell 900 items. There will be a special drawing for students who sell 5 or more products. Every child who sells even one item will also be added to another raffle.

**2019 PTA Meetings**- The next PTA meetings will be held on October 15<sup>th</sup> and November 16<sup>th</sup>, both at 6:30 pm in the AVS Media Center. There is no meeting in December.

**Monster Mash**- The Monster Mash is scheduled for Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. This is a costume party for students in grades K-5 with students in grades 6-8 volunteering in the spooky walk. There is a DJ, snacks for sale and a photobooth. It's a fun event for the whole family.

Missoula Children's Theater- Student in grades 1, 3, 5, and 7 are invited to participated in the fall Missoula production, Robinson Crusoe. Ami D'Amelio is again the coordinating this event. Auditions will be held on Monday, October 21, practices will be all week afterschool (schedules will be handed out after auditions) and the performances will be Friday evening, October 25 and Saturday morning, October 26. All children who wish to participate in the show must commit to attending all practices and shows.

The spring production will be open to students in grades 2, 4, 6, and 8.

**Reflections**- Reflections is open to students in grades K-8. The intentions forms will be due November 1. The theme this year is "Look Within". Adrian Newton is the Reflections Chair.

**Barnes & Noble Book Fair**- This is a fun fundraiser that is held at Barnes & Noble on South Willow Street in Manchester. This year it will be held on November 8<sup>th</sup>. More information will go home shortly.

**Spiritwear-** There are some tshirts and sample sweatshirts available now. We do have a couple people interested in chairing this committee and more information will be out shortly.

**PTA Facebook Page**- Pleaes follow our page on Facebook for all the latest updates **@AVSPTA**. Please interact with the page to be sure to get all the updates.

**Principal Updates**- Dr. Collins reported that next Thursday night, Peg Dawson will be her speaking on Executive Functioning Skills. Teachers will have a professional development day on the same topic on Friday, September 27 while the student have a day off.

The new gaga pit will be installed on the playground this weekend. NJHS, Student Council and Yearbook helped support the purchase of the gaga pit. They are also hoping to get six more swings for the playground.

NEWA testing just ended. AVS is still looking for a STEAM teacher. The finishing touches are being completed on the addition. The nurse should be moved into her new space some time in November. Quite a few classes are in temporary space but by January or February, everyone should be in the permanent spots.

**School Board Update**- The school board is busy dealing with renovations issues, but all is going well. Alan Villenueve also reported that SAU 15 has a new Superintendent, Mr. Rearick, as well as administrators. Hopefully there will be a meet & greet soon for all to get to know the school board is also working with Manchester Water Works about border issues as they own the property surrounding AVS. The PTA closet is almost done.

**Summer Camps**- This past summer, 133 students participated in the PTA summer camps. We had a profit of over \$8,000. Thanks to Jen Anderson for coordinating these camps.

**Box Tops for Education**- You can now submit your Box Tops through their app. The coordinator, Melissa Kamyck, will be sending more information home shortly.

**Treasurer's Report**- Memberships came in fast at the beginning of the year but have now slowed down. The Kindergarten and first grade students have had the most participation. There is still time to sign up. There are also still spots open for the Holiday Fair vendors. Please spread the word.

Mom's Night Out- The next Mom's Night Out is scheduled for October 3rd at the Auburn Tavern.