

Attendees	
Sue Evans, PTO Co-President	Dr. Kathie Foster, PHS Interim Principal
Adviti Muni, PTO Co-President	Cecilia Birge, PHS Assistant Principal
Betsy Baglio, BOE	Dr. Nicole Mantuano Lacsamana, PHS Assistant Principal
Michele Tuck-Ponder, BOE	Dana Karas, PHS Director of School Counseling Services
Dafna Kendal, BOE	Diana Lygas, PHS Dean of Students

## **Brief Description / Agenda**

- Welcome from the PHS PTO and general updates.
- Meet and Greet the PHS Assistant Principals.

Summary of the discussion		
Speaker		
Sue Evans (PTO Co-	Approximately 30 people attended this meeting.	
President)	<ul> <li>Welcome from the PHS PTO and March update.</li> <li>New families fourth meeting will be held Apr 27<sup>th</sup> in person 7-8:30pm in room 142. All are welcome.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Adviti gave an update on PTO funding:         <ul> <li>\$65,737 bank balance.</li> <li>\$1270 received in donations.</li> <li>\$950 expenses. (Staff appreciation event etc.).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>PTO funds will be used for some of the following events:         <ul> <li>DJ for Junior and Senior Prom.</li> <li>Senior transition events.</li> <li>Day of dialogue (student organized cultural club event for all students).</li> <li>Lawn signs for graduating seniors.</li> <li>Staff Appreciation Luncheon on May 19.</li> <li>Rita's Ice event for students on Jun 8.</li> <li>Senior sunset snacks.</li> <li>Graduation.</li> <li>Sophomore and Junior class treats.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	Princeton Mobile Food Pantry needs additional volunteers and drivers – will be posted on the PHS parent Facebook page	
	Sue introduced Dr. Kathie Foster, PHS Interim Principal, Cecilia Birge, PHS Assistant Principal and Dr. Nicole Mantuano Lacsamana, PHS Assistant Principal.	
Dr. Kathie Foster, PHS Interim Principal, Cecilia Birge, PHS Assistant Principal and Dr. Nicole Mantuano	<ul> <li>Dr. Kathie Foster introduced herself as the PHS Interim Principal.</li> <li>Cecilia Birge gave an overview on the role of the PHS Assistant Principals.         <ul> <li>PHS has 3 Assistant Principals assigned to students by student last name:</li> <li>Cecilia Birge: A-G last names</li> <li>Rashone Johnson: H-O last names</li> <li>Dr. Nicole Mantuano Lacsamana: P-Z last names</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	



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Lacsamana, PHS Assistant Principal	<ul> <li>The PHS Assistant Principals deal with many student related matters such as school schedules, test schedules, Saturday academies etc.</li> <li>They also serve as the liaison with other departments such as World Languages, Science, Safety, Facilities etc.</li> <li>Dr. Nicole Mantuano Lacsamana, PHS Assistant Principal also shared some of her responsibilities including Professional Development Committee, Calendar Committee and Diversity Council.</li> <li>She also talked about being part of the Sustainability team which just won a \$2000 grant. In addition, March 31<sup>st</sup> submitted 230 points to be certified by Sustainable Jersey (needed 150 for bronze level, 350 for silver). Points carry over for next year. Expect to be certified at bronze level with goal of silver next year.</li> <li>She is also working on updating the Student Handbook with Cecilia.</li> </ul>
Betsy Baglio, BOE Michele Tuck- Ponder, BOE Dafna Kendal, BOE	No specific update from the BOE.
	<ul> <li>Some general Q&amp;A followed.</li> <li>A parent asked about the need for SROs (School Resource Officers) in our schools and that it would be helpful to understand when these decisions are made. <ul> <li>BOE members present commented that this has not been brought to the BOE yet. Typically, the budget is approved in April for the following school year.</li> </ul> </li> <li>A parent commented that the noise from the air blower in the new room where the meeting was held is excessively loud. The BOE is aware of this issue and working with the manufacture to address this.</li> <li>Could corporate-like turnstiles be used to scan IDs as students/staff enter the building? This is expensive and currently not in scope. On a related matter, students will receive their new student lanyards soon.</li> <li>Other security modifications could be made such as improving the entryway at PHS Tower to be more in line with the other schools. Changes like this require funding and may be included in the fall referendum for voters to approve.</li> <li>Parents asked about the NJSLA testing schedule and what other students who are not testing are supposed to do as many do not go to school. <ul> <li>PHS staff said they are planning various activities:</li> <li>Mental Health</li> <li>Drug and Alcohol awareness</li> <li>Career Info</li> <li>Community Service</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	Next PTO meeting will be Wednesday May 3rd at 8:30am in person at PHS.

Meeting ended at 9:40 AM.