WSPA Membership Meeting – Monday 9/18/17

Call to order: 9:40am

In attendance:

Co-President Lisa Minervini, Vice President Paul Kelly, Treasurer Lisa DeGrandpre, Corresponding Secretary Kristy Ver Hage. Members: Bonnie Nordlinger, Georgina Strilakos Boutsis, Andy Tolep, Celeste Levine

Introductions of the WSPA board and the members in attendance all introduced themselves.

Celeste Levine made motion to waive reading of minutes from last meeting. Second motion from Lisa DeGrandpre

Officer Reports:

Lisa Minervini provided overview of upcoming important dates.

October 11th Back to School Night at AWMS Media Center – 7pm

October 24th ADHD Workshop

Childcare offered at workshops for Wayne families

Fall Festival to be held in October – date to be determined

Paul Kelly talked about Camp and Resource fair being held in the Anthony Wayne Cafetorium in January, date to be determined. He also talked about the Library offering future programs since the Bingo event was such a hit.

Lisa DeGrandpre reviewed the WSPA budget 2016-2017 and proposed budget 2017-2018. WSPA has money in the budget to help pay for some expenses for the Fall Festival and Snow Globe Festival.

Money in budget for a 1,000 scholarship.

After review of budget, motions to approve, 1st Celeste Levine, 2nd Paul Kelly. Budget approved.

Kristy Ver Hage talked about membership, emails, fliers for future workshops and events, informational bulletins, and our Facebook Page.

New Business: none

Old Business: Paul spoke about having a special needs Relay for Life team and the event being a huge success. They had t-shirts and dr. seuss books for the kids as well as refreshments. Everyone who attended had a great time.

Open discussion: Celeste Levine talked about the district's policy of paras not being able to communicate or relay information to the parents about the student's day. She stressed that she does not have a problem with her child's para or her child's teacher but has an issue with the district's policy.

The members in attendance wanted to know who the administrators are in the Department of Student Support Services.

Debra Strauss - Director of Student Support Services,

Jennifer Varano – Assistant Principal, Secondary, Student Support Services

Patricia Monaco – Assistant Principal, Pre-K Elementary, Student Support Services

Lisa DeGrandpre made 1st Motion to adjourn meeting at 10:40am. Kristy Ver Hage made 2nd motion.