

NPSD Educational Foundation
Board Report
October 17, 2013

The Educational Foundation had a busy month with some of our grants being implemented in classrooms, solidifying a solicitation plan and having our Charity Luncheon earlier this month.

Throughout the month, several of our grants came into action in the classrooms! Pennbrook Middle School students learned how to build circuits through the purchase of electronic learning lab and students at Penndale Middle School learned the devastating brain damage that occurs after just a few seconds of shaking an infant by using this technologically-advanced infant simulator. These are two of the 27 grants that will be implemented this year thanks to the Foundation.

The Foundation also agreed about a timeline for our year-end appeal and the start of an e-newsletter. These ideas came from a sharing session that NPSD hosted among several local educational foundations. We hope these communications will help us better publicize the work we do.

I am thrilled to report that Penndale Middle School's Harassment and Bullying Intervention Taskforce (HABIT) Team chose the Foundation as their beneficiary for this year's events. HABIT is comprised of about 20 students in grades seven through nine. Led by freshmen Taylor Young and Erin Huebner, the team is organizing three weeks of events from selling candy grams to spirit days. This is the first time a student group is supporting the Foundation and we are so appreciative of this new relationship.

The Foundation held its annual fall charity luncheon on Sunday, October 6th. We had a little fewer than 100 attendees who dined on a delicious buffet meal from Bacco. I want to thank the Trustees, staff and community members for attending.

Our next event will be another luncheon at Molly Maguire's in Lansdale on Saturday, February 22nd. It will be our first time holding a charity luncheon at Molly's and we are excited about this new partnership. We hope to see you all there!

We are now accepting applications for our Mid-Year Grants. I look forward to sharing the innovative projects our staff and students are doing at a future meeting.

Any questions about the Foundation can be directed to Christine Liberaski at the ESC.