General Meeting: Potluck and More Notes

October 2nd, 2017 from 6:30 pm- 7:30 pm

- September Minutes were reviewed by PTA members and approved
- Treasurer's report was summarized by Donna and approved
- PTA Announcements were made by Eglantina
- "Curriculum Maps and Case Studies" presented by Lily Talcott (Northeast Principal), and Jennifer Wilkie (Teacher on Special Assignment)
 - Discussion around empowering learners through authentic learning processes by having them do the work of historians, scientists through case studies.
 - http://www.ithacacityschools.org/districtpage.cfm?pageid=668
 - Discussion around goals of helping to raise our students to make a difference "in service of themselves, community and others"
 - Examples of "project-based learning" were shared
 - More discussion around ways to bring Science, Reading, Writing, and community focus into classrooms through these projects
 - Talked about every student having at least one "Case Study" experience a year
 - Discussion on how Case Studies are determined
 - o Discussion around assessment. How to measure success.
 - Curriculum map overviews were shared, broken into Fall, Winter and Spring queries
 - Discussion around idea that Case Studies are meant to offer additional ways to help assess students beyond the end of year tests

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