

PTO Meeting May 13, 2015

Sign in:

Sherry Nannis
Justine Bernard
Jim O'Connell
Lynn Manseau
Mary Hartigan
Nancy Michaud
Pam Murphy
Robin Katsalus
Joy LeBlanc
Laurielee Roy

Welcome: Jim welcomes the group. Announces that Mr. McCafferty is in a presentation and will be late.

Jim explains that many programs go through "Bring It" One of these programs is a nursing program. Students receive ½ credit towards graduation. This is also funded through United Way.

Minutes: Jim proposed to adopt last months meeting minutes. Mrs. Hartigan motions and was 2nd by Justine. All yays.

Builder's Club Presentation:

Aidan O'Connell gives presentation on behalf of the Builder's Club. Two benches are needed (\$165.00) for students to sit in front of the school.

Aidan showed a poster board of the proposed benches, which would be secured to the grounds.

The location might be along the walkway and would be removed in the winter.

Mrs. Haritgan reports that the Builder's Club would put the benches together and 8th graders will do the beautification-June 2nd and 3rd. This would be in time for the 8th grade dance. Mulch should be provided by the city.

Sherry N motions to donate the \$165.00 to the Builder's Club. Lisa W 2nds the motion.. All in favor. Motion passes.

Mrs. Hartigan reports that freeze pops are needed for the students doing the "Walk Against Hunger" walk (May 22) The cost of freeze pops is \$40.00

Lisa W and Joy L donate the money out of their own pockets.

All the money raised for the walk goes to New Horizon's.

May 22, 2015 is also the same evening that the Fischer Cats are holding a free game to students and families.

Builder's Club has already painted Mr. McCafferty's office.

Kiwanis check has been received by the PTO. Jim will meet up with Joy to cut teacher's their stipends.

Treasurer Report:

Operating Acct \$661.97

addition of \$25.00 for soccer fee

This account will be used for the soccer fee's.

\$250.00 Soccer

\$75.92 Popcorn

Leaving the balance \$661.97

Auction Account \$35,438.32

changes: Received three more sponsors

\$500.00 Jeffery Conway

\$500.00 Lisa and Alex Walker

\$250.00 Lavalee/Frensinger

\$9,800.00 to date in sponsors.

Joy hands out "Hillside Middle School PTO Profit & Loss Statement"

Jim motions to proposal adoption:

Lisa W motions

2nd by Pam M. All yays.

Teacher Appreciation Week

May 4-8 but Hillside decided to do it this week. A lot of food/candy donated by parents. Teachers expressed gratitude.

Sandwiches are being served to teachers on Friday.

If you'd like to donate, there is an online donation form through "Sign Up Genius" or you may call or email a PTO member.

Mr. O'Neil comes into the room to express his thanks to the group. He's appreciated all we have done as well as many other teachers.

Mr. McCafferty reports many parents/teachers participated in the discussion on the upcoming plans for the media center.

Friday -progress reports will be sent home.

All work orders are figured out for tv screens/monitors. Mr. McCaffety will pass it along to Jane. Jim notes that Best Buy noted a 2nd computer to be put in principal's office. Jim asked that this be stricken from the work order, as a 2nd computer is not needed. Jim and Mr. McCafferty will meet before work order is submitted.

Next week, new 6th grade students will be coming to visit the school and have orientation.

Thursday is orientation for the parents 6:30-8:00 pm. The Builder's Club will give the parents a tour.

June 5th will be the 8th grade dance 7-9:30 pm. If anyone needs a dress, or shoes, etc.. they can contact the school. Help is there if a student needs it.

If a student is not in school or does not stay in school the whole day they will not be allowed to participate in the dance.

June 12th Hillapoloza

May 22 Walk Against Hunger

May 21 Step up Dance for 6th and 7th grade students. after school until 4pm.

June 18th is last day of school.

June 17th is Promotion Ceremony (3 tix per child)

Step Up Band Concert is 5/18

Laurielee will send Mr. McCafferty information about the NAACP holding community forums being held around the city. These forums focus on students of color being able to access AP classes when they are in high school. Information regarding the OCR Agreement will also be offered.

Auction Night Follow Up:

Teachers and Parents meet and collaborate ideas.

Media Center is underway. Leveled books are needed.

Laurielee asks if audio books both library and text books will be available to the students who may need this accommodation.

Updates: Soccer Program is underway.

Dick Dreyer donated shirts. Please thank him if you see him.

New Business: 4 Days at the end of the school year for professional development
6/23 is the Teacher Breakfast for last day of school.

Next meeting is June 10th. PTO will discuss election of new officers.

Adjourned 8:15 pm