

Horizon PTO Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 11, 2016

In Attendance: Brooke Hakert, Christie Steinbock, Jill Boom, Claire Mattan, Meggan Boyle, Lindsay Cornwell

Meeting Start: 7:02 PM

Meeting Adjourned: 8:10 PM

Secretary's Report – Brooke Hakert: Meeting minutes from September were completed by Brooke Hakert, minutes were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report – Christie Steinbock:

- Register Balance - \$68,366.89
- Bank Balance - \$68,407.21
- Net Income - \$22,188.60

Financials were approved as submitted.

Principal's Report

- Thank You Horizon PTO!
 - The Walk-a-Thon Goalie reward was great! (better than being duct-taped to the wall!)
 - Helping fund the visiting author coming to Johnston soon
- Presentation from School Board Meeting last night
 - Goal 1: Reading – We will increase the reading proficiency of Horizon students by providing Core instruction to all learners.
 - Goal 2: Student Engagement – We will increase student engagement by learning about and implementing a variety of instructional strategies.
 - Goal 3: Community Well-Being – We will increase community well-being by developing student and staff connections through meaningful relationships.

Committee Reports

- **Communications Committee, Morgan Molden, morgan.molden@gmail.com**
 - Newsletter items due each Friday after PTO meetings, this month due Friday, October 14th
- **Fundraising, Jill Boom, wearehorizonpto@gmail.com**
 - Walk-a-Thon, Thursday, October 6, 2:30pm
 - Donations reached over \$17,400
 - Four Classes raised more than \$1,000 – Heikes, Dunn, Peterson, Tegels (top two fundraisers from each of these classes got to Silly String their teachers!) These four teachers also got gift cards as a thank you for promoting the fundraiser in their classrooms.
 - 2015-16 had 242 participants; 2016-17 had 239 participants
 - October 27th will be the Subway lunch for students who earned it by raising \$200 or more
 - Spirit Nights each month
 - Once per month
 - September Spirit Night at Taco Johns earned Horizon around \$30.

- October Spirit Night, Tuesday, October 18th 4:00-9:00
- **Educational Rebates, Julie Tutaj, huskerjules@yahoo.com**
 - Collecting Box Tops, no Labels for Education
 - Collection dates Sept. 29-Oct. 14 (winning class gets a pizza party)
 - Check out Signup.com to volunteer to organize/count box tops after October 14th
 - Will do another collection in February
 - Last year, we raised appx. \$1,000 which goes into our PTO General Fund
- **Book Fair, Patti Brinkmeyer, pattibrinkmeyer@gmail.com, and Angie Dicken**
 - November 14-18
- **Book Drive**
 - We have adopted Monroe Elementary in Des Moines (serves 550 students, 42.5% ELL, 93% Free and Reduced; 13.5% Special Education)
 - Book Collection will be November 7th-December 2nd
 - Visit Monroe December 14th
- **Character Counts T-shirts, All School Picture – Sandra Mrachina**
 - Poster will be handed out at fall conferences
- **Teacher Wish Lists – Angie Lenderts**
 - Teacherlists.com
 - All lists have been updated
- **Social Activities**
 - Sock Hop – Friday, October 28th 6:30-8:00
 - 5th graders who come without a parent, must bring with them a signed permission form.
 - We will collect donations for the nurse – donation requests will be listed on the Sock Hop flyer.
 - Donations and volunteers needed!
 - New DJ – Patrick Corto
 - Kohl's will collect donations for the nurse AND we will receive a \$1,500 donation!
 - No Clown costumes and/or Clown masks will be allowed at the Sock Hop
 - Dojo's will be here to put on a show during the Sock Hop again
 - Skating Party
 - Thursday, December 15th, Thursday, February 9th, Tuesday, April 18th
 - 6:00-8:00PM - \$6
 - The Thursday nights will also be open for Open Skate – we will receive 15% from profits, including outside skaters
 - BINGO
 - Weekend of Book Fair/Conferences, Friday, March 3rd 6:30-8:00pm
- **Funding Requests:**
 - 2nd Grade – Logitech wired keyboard for iPad with 30-pin connector, 13 for each teacher = 52 keyboards (Mrs. Quam already has them). \$18.80 for each keyboard, \$977.60 total.
 - Motion to approve by Christie Steinbock, 2nd by Claire Mattan; Request approved

Adjournment – Next meeting, Tuesday, November 8, 2016 at 7:00, in the Horizon Library.

Minutes submitted by Brooke Hakert