

Horizon PTO Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 13, 2016

In Attendance: Brooke Hakert, Christie Steinbock, Jill Boom, Claire Mattan, Julie Tutaj, Brittany Tibben, Angie Lenderts, Meggan Boyle, Cari Hannon, Lindsay Cornwell, Jacque Feuerhelm, Melissa Wuebker, Clara Balsmeier

Meeting Start: 7:04 PM

Meeting Adjourned: 8:28 PM

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

Treasurer's Report – Christie Steinbock:

- Register Balance - \$46,178.29
- Bank Balance - \$48,053.42
- Net Income - \$9,273.48 (2015-16)
- Net Income - \$1,512.52 (2016-17)

Financials were approved as submitted.

Motion to approve 2016-17 budget – Kari; 2nd by

Principal's Report

- New at Horizon
 - New soccer goals – two sets one set purchased by PTO, one set donated
 - New office set-up – more secure entry
 - Buzz in at outside doors
 - Enter through the Office
 - Get a visitor's badge from office staff
 - Most classrooms have 2 to 1 iPads in order for teachers to integrate technology into the classroom instruction.
 - District Summer School – we served about 200 students for 7 weeks
 - Jump Start Kindergarten – 2 half days for incoming Kindergarteners; 75/100 students attended; taught routines
 - A new Horizon website is coming, by January
 - All teachers at Horizon use app, Seesaw – if you haven't received a note yet about it, look for it soon.
 - New transportation
 - Horizon has moved 650 students out of the building at dismissal in 8 minutes this week!

Committee Reports

- **Communications Committee, Morgan Molden, morgan.molden@gmail.com**
 - Newsletter items due each Friday after PTO meetings, this month due Friday, September 16th
- **Fundraising, Jill Boom, wearehorizonpto@gmail.com**
 - Walk-a-Thon date set for Thursday, October 6, 2:30pm Donation Collection dates 9/9-9/23

- Made some changes this year:
 - Only one donation check-in ticket will be turned in, instead of 2
 - Pokemon theme this year! T-shirts too
 - Administrators and staff will be goalies as a reward for students
 - We have received several donations from local businesses and corporations
 - Fruit is being donated for students by HyVee
- Matching Funds List can be found on the Horizon PTO website: hzepto.org or Google, “Matching Gift - _____” (your corporation) to see if your company will match donations.
- AmazonSmile
- Spirit Nights each month
 - Once per month
 - Places like: Warrior Lanes, Pizza Hut, Taco Johns, Texas Roadhouse, Chuck E. Cheese
- **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)
 - Will do another collection in February
 - Last year, we raised appx. \$1,000 which goes into our PTO General Fund
- **Summer Reading Splash, Jacque Feuerhelm**
 - September 9th
- **Character Counts T-shirts, All School Picture – Sandra Mrachina**
 - Included preschool this year – they were SO happy!
 - Shirts come home day of picture, 9/26, posters handed out at fall conferences
- **Teacher Wish Lists – Angie Lenderts**
 - Teacherlists.com
 - Mrs. Svestka won a \$25 gift card to the Learning Post for turning in her wish list early!
 - 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.
 - 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
- **Homeroom Parent Meeting, Clara Balsmeier, September 19th 6:30PM**
- **Funding Requests:**
 - 4th Grade – Hokki Stools for use around a small group table
 - \$195 per 18” stool – requesting 6
 - Request \$755 plus tax
 - Motion to approve by Christie; 2nd by Angie; Request approved
 - \$874.74 New blade for paper cutter; high fives; lamination film

- Motion to approve funding by Julie; 2nd by Christie; Request approved
- 5th Grade students who walk in Homecoming parade and throw candy to promote Character Counts in the elementary schools.
 - Request for \$50 for candy to throw in parade
 - Motion to approve funding by Christie; 2nd by Kari; Request approved
- Lindsay Cornwell – Part of an author visit; 4 of 5 elementary schools are pooling money to pay for this visit.
 - Janet Stevens will spend one day at Horizon, November 7-10
 - Request for \$500
 - Motion to approve by Kari, 2nd by Jacque; Request approved

Adjournment – Next meeting, Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 7:00, in the Horizon Library.

Minutes submitted by Brooke Hakert