

Horizon PTO Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 8, 2015

In Attendance: Michelle Bonalavong, Christie Steinbock, Brooke Hakert, Meggan Boyle, Jacque Feuerhelm, Chelsey Tanke, Jill Boom, Julie Tutaj, Lindsey Cornwell, Lynae Lair, Sheryl Thornton, Clara Balsmeier, Claire Mattan

Meeting Start: 6:59 PM

Meeting Adjourned: 8:31 PM

Secretary's Report – Jill Boom: Meeting minutes from February were completed by Cari Hannon, minutes were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report – Christie Steinbock:

- Amount Carried over from last year \$2,880.93
- Character Counts, Walk-A-Thon Sponsors, Refrigerator for the Staff Lounge have been some large purchases since July 1st.
- Net income through August 31st - \$5,840.44
- Treasurer's report was approved as submitted.
- Motion to approve the 2015-16 Budget

Principal's Report – Lindsey Cornwell:

- Parent survey results – majority of parents responses indicated they are pleased with the education their child(ren) are receiving at Horizon.
- Student enrollment is close to 650.
- Horizon has been capped at 27 in 4th and 5th grades and Kindergarten is getting close to being capped at 25 students per class.
- The district is keeping an eye on new construction popping up in the Horizon neighborhood.

Committee Reports

- **Newsletter** items due each month the Friday after the PTO meeting, this month due September 11th. Please send to Angie Lenderts at alenderts@mchsi.com
- **Fundraising Committee, Chelsey Tanke** chelseytanke@yahoo.com and **Jacque Feuerhelm** jfeury@gmail.com
 - Walk-a-Thon date set for October 8, 2:30pm
 - Donation collection dates 9/11-9/24
 - Matching Funds List – check to see if your company will match your donations
 - If classrooms raise more than \$1,000, they can dump water on their teacher's head at the end of the walk-a-thon (student who raised the most money gets to pour the bucket)
 - Every student who raises \$10, will get a piece of duct tape to tape Mrs. Cornwell or Mrs. Adair to the wall, a free open gym pass at Sapphire Gymnastics, and a free Texas Roadhouse kids meal.
 - Choose Horizon Elementary on AmazonSmile and Target Red Card to have a percentage of your spending to come back to Horizon.

- **Educational Rebates**, Julie Tutaj huskergules@yahoo.com
- **Summer Reading Splash**
 - 180 Students participated
 - All volunteers are set up and ready to go for Friday, September 11th.
- **Character Counts T-Shirts, All School Picture** – Chelsey Tanke
 - All School Picture will be taken on 9/29, rain date 9/30
 - Students shirts will come home on 9/29
 - There have been enough donations to cover all students' t-shirts and shirts for all teachers
- **Teacher Wish Lists** – Angie Lenderts
 - Go to teacherlists.com to search for Horizon, then teacher names to donate items to children's classrooms.
 - You have to create an account in order to pledge to purchase one of the items.
 - More information will be on the website and newsletter
- **Social Activity Dates**
 - Sock Hop, Meggan Boyle – October 23, 6:30-8:00 – will talk to nurse to see if there is a need for donations. Last year families donated coats, hats and boots.
 - May need more high school volunteers to help with clean-up at the end of the night.
 - Sock hop, no charge for treats, etc.
 - Will be in contact with Kohl's volunteers
 - Skating Parties – tentative dates: December, February, April (see calendar)
 - BINGO – March
 - Movie Night – CHAIR NEEDED
 - Homeroom Parent Meeting, Clara Balsmeier, September 14th at 6:30PM

Funding Requests

- **3rd, 4th, 5th Grade (Kerry Loge)** – 190 students who needs to be enrolled in Renaissance Learning (\$10 per student, plus a web-hosting fee) – Requesting \$2,405.00. APPROVED, revisit in the Spring for next year.
- **SPED Classroom (Jean Jansen, Kayla Donah)** – Need a small refrigerator for student snacks such as yogurt and milk. Students eat lunch in the room and these items need refrigerated for later – Requesting \$119.99 APPROVED
- **2nd Grade** – Scholastic News subscription with Science Spin – Requesting \$594.00 – Will be paid for by Scholastic Dollars

Adjournment – Next meeting Tuesday, October 13th, at 7:00 PM at Horizon Library.

Minutes submitted by Brooke Hakert