



Haycock PTA Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 17, 2018

Call to Order

- PTA President Nic Cober Johnson called the meeting to order at start 7:37 pm.
- Welcomed meeting attendees.

November 2017 PTA Meeting Minutes

- November 2017 meeting minutes were distributed.
- Vote: 1st - Katie Pisocky, 2nd - Nic Cober Johnson, all approved

Treasurer - Katie Pisocky

- PTA fundraising is doing well.
- Copies of the PTA budget were distributed.
- Expenses are on one side of the report and income is listed on the other side.
- Brickathon raised \$36,305.16.

VP Updates

Social: Open (Jennifer Monken)

- Kimberly Mertz the PTA's former VP of Social has relocated to the west coast. PTA is looking to fill this position. Also the chair position is open for the Hospitality Committee.
- Upcoming Events: Bingo Night Feb 16th, Heritage Night March 2nd, Basketball Game March 22nd

Fundraising: Karen Leiser

- This year's main fundraisers are the Brickathon held in the fall and the school will have the Boosterthon in the spring.
- Remember to shop with the Amazon link: <https://www.amazon.com/?&tag=haycockpta-20>
- Restaurant Night at Pulcinella's is Feb 13th.

Curriculum Enhancement: Michael Lindinger

- Science Olympiad update for Div A Team of 45 students has been selected.
- Setting up the Girls on the Run program.

Community Outreach: Jackie Frazer

- Basketball Game on March 22nd: Haycock staff vs. Longfellow staff at McLean HS
- Tickets will be on sales in advance of the game. Suggest purchasing tickets in advance. There will be food and spirit wear for sale.

Operations: Jennifer Monken

- No updates to report this month.

Haycock Administrative Team

- Thank you for the donated bricks and the new wall at the kiss and ride.
- McLean pyramid choir concert is at McLean HS tomorrow night.
- Geography Bee final is Friday in cafeteria at 2:30pm for grades 4, 5, and 6.
- 1/26 and 1/29 are upcoming teacher workdays. Staff will be working on 2 professional development programs.
- The school's 60 year old flagpole was replaced. The county installed a new flagpole, an expense of about \$10,000 - \$15,000.
- Friday there should be a new stage in the POD ready for use.
- Staff recognitions: Kim (hourly pyramid nominee) and Amanda Toppe (elementary pyramid nominee)
- 3rd grade teacher was recognized by the Capitals. Representatives from the Capitals will visit the 3rd grade.

Safety Presentation by Sergeant Gordon Sloan

- Discussed safety and security concerns noted around Haycock at arrival and dismissal.
- Noticed more tickets are being handed around the school. The highest speed clocked is 71 in a 25 zone on Westmoreland.
- This area has a tremendous amount of traffic, so a radar safety and security survey was conducted. 39 was the average speed on Westmoreland. 32 was the average speed on Haycock Rd in 25 zone. Reminder that over 20 mph is reckless driving.
- Reminders
 - If there is no natural or raised barrier, traffic in both directions must stop for a school bus.
 - The safest way to cross the roads near the school is with the crossing guard who stops traffic in all directions. Noted there have been problems with cars driving while kids are crossing. Drivers honk horns while kids are crossing.
 - Cars should not enter the front driveway when the stop signs are posted at arrival and dismissal.
- Observed not many seatbelt violations have occurred this year.
- Remember safe driving is a community effort!
- Responses to questions from meeting attendees
 - The height of a speed bump corresponds with the speed limit for the road. There is a process that has to be followed to get speed bumps installed.
 - Can a safety and security discussion can be done with the kids and send a flyer home to the families.

Teachers Spotlight - 1st Grade

- Introduction of 1st grade team
- Discussed the Animal Unit that lasts about 5 weeks.
 - Acknowledged Anne Rosenbaum and Janet Brown
 - This unit promotes hands on learning. Students work on formulating questions and researching to find answers.
 - This unit incorporates reading and writing as the kids keep journals to document their observations. In creative writing, the kids write from the animals' perspectives. Non-fiction writing is also included in this unit.
 - Animals that will be studied are: Birds (parakeets, Eagle cam, and hatching chicks), fish, reptiles (snakes - always a favorite with the kids), mammals (rabbit), and amphibians (toads).

Closing - Nic Cober

- Thanked the 1st grade team and meeting attendees.

Meeting adjourned at 8:24pm.

In Attendance: 23