



Haycock PTA Meeting Minutes Wednesday, November 15, 2017

Call to Order

- PTA President Nic Cober Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:34pm.

Welcome

- PTA President Nic Cober Johnson welcomed meeting attendees.

PTA October 2017 Meeting Minutes

- October 2017 meeting minutes were distributed.
- Vote: 1st: Katie Pisocky, 2nd: Neetha Rao, All approved

Treasurer - Katie Pisocky

- Copies of the PTA budget were distributed.
- Brickathon raised much money! Gross revenue \$69,671.00 with Net revenue \$58,392.42.
- If anyone has an questions about the budget, please ask Katie.

VP Updates

Social: Kimberley Mertz

- Reminder Skate Night is on December 2nd.
- Today's pizza day was a huge success.

Fundraising: Karen Leiser

- Update: Brickathon raised lots and restaurant night at Wasabi raised about \$1500
- Student art sale fundraiser: Order forms were sent home. Deadline for orders by check is this Monday. Online orders can be placed until the end of the month.
- PTA gets a kickback for the upcoming performance at Creative Cauldron.
- Remember to holiday shop via the PTA link to raise money.

Curriculum Enhancement: Michael Lindinger

- STEAM Night was held on Nov 14th. Thank you to Mr D and all the teachers.
- Odyssey of Mind: 3 or 4 teams have already formed.
- Winter Flex winter ASA classes are being finalized. Information to enroll in classes will be sent after Thanksgiving.
- Art Appreciation is being run by Brooke Pronto.
- Science Olympiad: Contact ChristinaFreyman@gmail.com - Division A (grades 3-5) It is one competition on a Saturday at end of April or beginning of May. Date TBD. Attendance is mandatory if your child participates. Children are teamed up in teams of 2. Parents have lots of involvement. Applications will be sent home in next week's Tuesday folder. Sign up deadline is Dec 8th. If oversubscribed, kids are selected via lottery with preference to the 5th grade.

- Jan 9th 7pm info night in the cafeteria.
- Parents mentor teams. PTA will provide the space. Parents don't need to know lots about science to lead a team. Coaches info meeting is first week of Dec. Parents should mostly provide supervision. Kids should learn themselves. Limit is 45 kids for the tournament. There are lots of categories in natural sciences to engineering.
- Kid commitment: 2 to 6 hours per week is about the commitment, depends on number of events your child is signed up for @about 1 hour per event.
- Tests are created by parents.
- Could kids who don't make the team do this for fun via a science club?
- For upcoming academic competitions, teams form in the fall to attend competitions in the spring.
- Some parents have volunteered to coach Math Olympiad and Science Olympiad teams.

Community Outreach: Jackie Frazer

- PTA co-sponsored Operation Gratitude with Daisy Girl Scout Troops gathered 400 lbs of candy. Candy was sent to troops and given as local donations.

Operations: Jennifer Monken

- Student directories are being printed.

Principal Remarks - Mr. Donnelly

- Highlight the website. Showed how to find the school's social media sites.
- Thank you for having the pizza party for the kids.
- Thank you for STEAM Night. Thank you to Janet Brown.
- FMLA is coming. Preview of info is available on Blackboard and at 6-7pm tomorrow in library.
- 6th grade trip to Air & Space Museum.
- Region 2 Asst Super visited on Monday - proud of collaborative learning teams and following the cycles, saw the learning targets posted in the classrooms.
- Nominated for national blue ribbon this year. More info in to come in the Haycock Hello. We will find out in a few months if our school was picked.

5th Grade Teachers Spotlight

- Introductions by the 5th grade team.
- Discussed highlights of Camp Highroad trip attended by 5th grade, teachers, and many parents.
- 5th graders work in day groups and different night groups. Groups are intentionally mixed. The goal is to have one good buddy in day group and one good buddy in night group. Girls and boys are in mixed groups during the day.
- Food is a highlight at the camp - 175 students, 12 staff, 45 parents. Camp accommodates for allergies and food preferences.

- Day activities are run by Haycock staff or Camp Highroad staff. Some activities the kids participated in are:
 - Stream Studies is run by Camp Highroad staff. Kids look for animals living in and near the stream. For some kids, this was the first time exploring streams.
 - Survival Skills: Kids learn to make a fire and make tea (kids try) from leaves they gather on a hike and make kettle corn (this is popular with kids). Kids make a shelter, which is tested by pouring a bucket of water on it to check if it's sound. Lots of kids get wet.
 - Hike (volleyball court and get to play with different balls) and after hike fun (lots of activities stacking cups, bracelets, etc.)
 - Challenge Course forces the kids to work together there are lots of team work activities through the course. As their teamwork gets better they work through the activities faster.
 - Zipline is at the end of the challenge course. Kids are really encouraged to participate in this activity. This challenges many of the kids outside of their comfort zone.
 - Camp A-Z Writing: Each student is assigned a letter. Using that letter, each student writes about a memory. The pages will be put together into a book.
- Thank you to the chaperones who give their time.

Closing remarks by Nic Cober Johnson

- Thank you to the 5th grade team and meeting attendees

Meeting adjourned at 8:19pm.

In Attendance: 44