



PTA MEETING MINUTES



Hermon Elementary General PTA Meeting
December 1, 2015 ~ 6:30 – 7:30 PM
HES - Room 11

Attendance: Shannon A., Melissa O., Michele M., Cindy P., Barbara L., Donna S., Jennifer C., Michelle H., Jessica L., Betsy P., Jessica W., and Tiffany H.

Welcome and Introductions – Shannon and Melissa

Approval of November, 2015 minutes – Cindy (Accepted as read.)

Treasurer's Report – Michele (Reviewed financial reports for November).

Principal's Report – Mrs. Libby

- Technology: Pre-K received their two iPads this week.
- The Parent-Teacher conferences were well attended.
- Winter concerts (K – 2 grades) will be held the last week of January.

Old business:

1. Charleston Wrap Fundraiser update
 - Items have been delivered. Melissa mentioned that a few replacement orders (for damaged items) have or will soon arrive.
2. Teacher needs board - update
 - Thank you to Jessica L. for updating the teacher needs board.

New business and announcements:

1. Pre-K and Kindergarten holiday craft
 - The Polar Express event for Pre-K will be held on December 21. Holiday craft dates are tentatively scheduled for 12/21 (Kindergarten) and 12/22 (Pre-K, need to verify date with Mrs. Thompson). Contact Shannon A. if interested in helping with either event.
2. Teacher and Staff holiday breakfast – December 18
 - Call for volunteers to help bring food and non-food (paper plates, cups, plastic wear, etc.) items and also to help set up and/or clean up.
 - Michele will purchase the K-Cups for the coffee machine in the staff room.
3. Challenger Learning Center of Maine
 - The CLC is offering a discounted rate if field trips are booked for January, but the logistics of sending four classrooms to this is challenging and expensive.

4. Collection program updates:
 - Box Tops – fall submission brought in \$803. Combine with the June submission of \$503 and the PTA will get a check in December for \$1,333.
 - We have approximately 36,000 Label for Education Points.
 - We currently have \$100 in the CLYNK account.

5. Teacher request for an AccuCut die (awareness ribbon and/or puzzle piece)
 - A motion was made to approve the purchase of both the ribbon (\$40) and the puzzle (\$50) dies, all in favor, motion carried.

Public Items or Comments

- There was an inquiry if we could change the PTA meeting times from 6:30 pm to 6:00 pm. A motion was made to change the time, all in favor, motion carried.
- There was a question inquiring when the 100th Day of school is and Mrs. Libby replied that it's usually before February break, depending on number of snow days that have occurred.
- Another question was asked if Hampden Academy will have a play again this year (school field trip) and Mrs. Libby said usually they usually have one in March or April.

Drawing for monthly Box Tops/Labels for Education prizes

Congratulations to the three Box Top/LFE monthly drawing winners (bowling passes to Family Fun Bowling Center): Natalie D. (Mrs. Haggerty), MacKenzie O. (Mrs. Hake) and Kayden P. (Mrs. Helfen).

Adjournment

Next general PTA meeting: January 5, 2016
Note: meeting time will change from 6:30 pm to 6:00 pm.