



PTA MEETING MINUTES



Hermon Elementary General PTA Meeting
November 3, 2015 ~ 6:30 – 7:30 PM
HES - Room 11

Attendance: Melissa O., Michele M., Cindy P., Barbara L., Donna S., Jennifer C., Autumn A., Jessica L., Betsy P., Matthew C., Sarah K., Sarah K., Kaline G., and Tiffany H.

Welcome and Introductions - Melissa

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

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

- Catalog sales were approximately \$12,000 and HES is expected to pay approximately \$7,000 to Charleston Wrap. Internet sales were not calculated in the final numbers yet.
- Our direct donation drive yielded \$360.
- Librarian Kaline Goodrich had made a funding request for \$300 for the book fair and it was discussed that the PTA had already budgeted \$300 for the library's annual contribution. It was decided to keep the \$300 in the budget and we can revisit the topic in the spring to see if that amount should be changed.

Principal's Report – Mrs. Libby

- Teachers will be placing their grade-level tee-shirt orders soon.
- HES is planning to have a "literacy night" evening event for the K and 1st graders in late winter.
- Technology: Pre-K will soon be getting Ipads for their classroom.

Old business:

1. Charleston Wrap Fundraiser update
 - Fundraiser items are expected to arrive November 12 and we will have pick-up times available November 13, 16 and 17. We have enough volunteers to help distribute the items.
2. Box Tops/LFE Collection Bin – makeover update
 - Thank you to Shelly T. for the Minion makeover.

New business and announcements:

1. Brainstorming ideas for possible "Maine-made" event.
 - Autumn A. mentioned that there was a brainstorming meeting held, but only two people were able to attend. Discussion ensued on possibly writing up a one-page survey for teachers to fill out to see if there is an interest in having

this event. Mrs. Libby stressed that there needs to be an educational component to the event.

2. Teacher needs board – volunteer to update board seasonally and create motifs.
 - Jessica L. volunteered for this.
 - An idea of having a bulletin board where the teachers/staff pictures can be posted was brought up. Mrs. Libby will see if we can get pictures from Douglass Photography.
3. PTA Treasurer position will be open in the June
 - If anyone is interested in this position for next year, please contact Michele.

Public Items or Comments

- There was a question inquiring if the school will be having a Christmas concert this year. Mrs. Libby replied that the school does not hold Christmas (December) concerts, but generally has a winter concert in January, though there wasn't one held last school year.
- Another question regarding evening concerts was asked and Mrs. Libby discussed the difficulty of holding evening concerts because she can't require the teachers/staff to be present.
- The PTA acknowledged and thanked Donna S. for donating free bowling passes for the Family Fun Bowling Center.

Drawing for HERO the Hound Dog

Congratulations to Corbin P. (Mrs. Kelly) for winning the ten foot fundraiser mascot.

Drawing for monthly Box Tops/Labels for Education prizes

Congratulations to our two Box Top/LFE monthly drawing winners (Great Skates skating passes): Silas A. (Mrs. Thompson) and MacKenzie O. (Mrs. Hake).

Adjournment

Next general PTA meeting: December 1, 2015