

HYES PTO Meeting MINUTES
Highland and Fritz Elementary Schools

Date: 02/09/2022

Time: **6:30 pm**

Meeting Place:

Attendees: See attached

Call to Order: 6:59pm

Executive Committee Reports

President's Report-Nick Passariello

- Yard Goats Fundraiser - Any Interest? Nick will check with Ray Gomes (YLL Pres about a date they may already have.)
- Kiln opportunity being evaluated—research is in progress; is it worthwhile?

Vice President's Report- Allison Scott

Secretary's Report-Kelly Rainey

Review of January's minutes—Allison and Deb approved

Treasurers' Report-Priscilla Upchurch/Sharon Bertrand

- Review of budget - opening balance \$44,774.87; closing balance \$44,769.11
- \$3,667 check for Highland's library books

Principal's Report Highland-Emily Banach

Climate Survey is being completed by parents

Waiting for mask updates and classroom procedure updates from Central Office

Decrease in cases—only 1 or 2 students are quarantined at this time

Spirit Day in January

Fundraiser for district family's house fire

100th Day—worked on numeracy

Twosday—2/22/22

TOY and POY committee has met

Principal's Report Fritz-Eric Carbone

Kids are getting ready for OLSAT assessment—identifies talented and gifted; state requirement to identify, but not give services, but WPS does service gifted

K-kids—Valentine pencil gram for \$1; kids can buy them, but they won't be delivered at school.

Highland Teacher Rep Report –Allison Denya/Deb Hajjar

- Kids excited about 100th day
- Looking forward to some outside time
- Literacy committee meeting

Fritz Teacher Rep Report –Tracy Tyrrell/Katie Davis

- Using robot in class - “Sparky”
- Solar system model, \$13 - \$15 per kid, Eli Whitney, plus fee to come to school
 - Mid feb, early march, about 120 kids

Committee Reports

- Butter Braid fundraiser - will run from 2/28 to 3/14 with a pick up date of 3/30 at Fritz. Looking at 5:00–7:00 for pick up time. Flyers to be sent home within the next couple of weeks
- Spring Book Fair - Cheryl (Fritz) reached out to Mr. Carbone regarding an in person fair. She stated he will get back to her next month after the principals meeting.
 - Will need to hold of in person decision for a bit
- Eli Whitney Program - any updates?
- Zumba Night/Karate Night - building usage form update?
 - Will wait for official announcement on masking and social distancing
- Nature Day - We are going to go with Common Ground. Katie is going to meet with the 5th grade team next week to look at the list of activities they offer and what the teachers prefer.
 - Full day of activities
 - Have list of activities and can follow all covid protocols
 - Will review with teachers and come back with a proposal
- Mini-golf - Event is secured for Saturday, April 30 from 9 am–1 pm. at Highland. A 9 hole course with fun kid friendly activities going on concurrently. There will be a signup sheet for families. The paperwork was submitted and approved to have a custodian for building usage.
 - Rain date is 5/14
 - March we will send flyer out

Other Business/Questions

Discussion of possibly purchasing supplies that are requested for students by the teachers each year. Teacher reps will ask classroom teachers if they'd be interested in this type of funding.

Next Meeting:

3/9

End:

Attendees:

Kelly Rainey

Allison Denya

Deb Hajjar

Emily Banach

Eric Carbone

Krystina Gilhuly

Nick Passariello

Priscilla Upchurch

Sarah Lindberg

Sharon Bertrand

Tracy Tyrrell