

HYES PTO Meeting MINUTES
Highland and Fritz Elementary Schools

Date: 05/10/23

Time: 6:30PM

Meeting Place: Fritz Library

Attendees: See attached

Call to Order: 6:34pm

Executive Committee Reports

Secretaries' Report-Kelly Rainey and Erica Ung

- Review of minutes-- approved by Allison Denya and Deb Hajjar

Presidents' Report-Allison Scott

- The vote for board positions will be held today. All present members will receive a ballot.
- Sharon Bertrand will not be staying on next year as the secretary. Erica Vitale has decided to run as co-secretary; ballot was updated to reflect the change.

Vice Presidents' Report- Allison Scott

Board Positions for 2023-24

- Co-Presidents- Allison Scott and Erin Huckle
- Co-Vice Presidents-Stephanie Sheades and Tanya White
- Co-Treasurers-Priscilla Upchurch and Erica Ung
- Co-Secretaries-Kelly Rainey and Erica Vitale

Treasurer's Report-Priscilla Upchurch/Sharon Bertrand

- Opening balance: \$36,610.75; closing balance: \$40,420.96
- No major fundraisers added this month

Principal's Report Highland-Emily Banach

- Teacher Appreciation-thank you to the PTO!
- Lots of celebration to show our appreciation!
- Variety Show and Bingo Night were both a success.
- Autism Awareness project spearheaded by social worker
- Neon Day-next Friday
- In school literacy night is coming up.
- Step up day-2nd graders will visit Fritz
- Bucket Filler Challenge-celebrating on Friday
- Get out and Play-5/26-special outdoor activity (SEL)
- Field Day-June 2nd

- Evaluations are being done for staff
- Universal Screening is almost over
- Early Release–5/18
- Last Day–6/15

Principal's Report Fritz-Eric Carbone

- Thank you to PTO for Appreciation Week
- Shout out to the Fowler Family
- West Side Chorus Event–5/22 at Sheehan
- Field Day–Friday, 5/26
- Spring Concert–5/31 at DAG
- Parent Night at Moran–6/5

Highland Teacher Rep Report -Allison Denya/Deb Hajjar

- Folders were ordered for next year
- Staff thanks PTO for the appreciation week
- Variety Show was a success
- Literacy/Math Night–5/24
- Last K-Kids was today–39 kids
- Craft Fair–will continue to host fair, but not with a running kitchen (only baked items); table rentals will go up because Mad Tents charges more now; applications will go out in June
- Be in touch with Allison about contacting Stop and Shop in regards to candy donations for Trunk or Treat

Fritz Teacher Rep Report -Tracy Tyrrell/Katie Davis

- T-shirts will be distributed next week
- Lunch is a hot dog option; otherwise students can bring hot lunch
- Nature Day is June 7th; 50 minute stations–worms, chickens, critter caravan, planting flowers
- Laura McCall–thank you to the PTO for all of their generosity

Committee Reports

- **Staff Appreciation Week -**
 - In addition to what the principals have planned, the PTO did/will be doing a few things this week.
 - On Monday, PTO provided staff with breakfast and there will be a pizza luncheon on Friday.

- Today, a family from Fritz donated treats and sweets for the staff. The PTO provided the Highland staff with some cupcakes and other desserts.
- **Bingo Night-**
 - We made \$341; 100 people participated; next year we can aim to do it in January when there are fewer events happening.
- **Field Day -**
 - Volunteer sign-up sheets for both schools were sent out this week
- **5th Grade Activities -**
 - Nature Day -
 - Deposit was sent out on Monday (05/08) for Common Ground
 - Mountain Mist -
 - PTO is funding the field trip, including transportation. Per Mr. Carbone, it will cost \$25 per student.

Other Business/Questions

The board approved Ms. Robison's request for a new keyboard for Highland, along with a pedal and keyboard stand. The total will be around \$1,200. The exact amount will be updated once the items are purchased.

Next Meeting: 06/07/23

End: 7:01pm

Attendees:

Erica Ung
 Allison Scott
 Kelly Rainey
 Sharon Bertrand
 Priscilla Upchurch
 Laura McCall
 Katie Davis
 Tracy Tyrrell
 Robert Stacy
 Debbie Hajjar
 Allison Denya
 Tanya White
 Erica Vitale
 Charlotte Stopa
 Eric Carbone

Emily Banach