

HYES PTO Meeting **MINUTES**
Highland and Fritz Elementary Schools

Date: **11/09/22**

Time: **6:30PM**

Meeting Place: **Highland Library**

Attendees: **See attached**

Call to Order: **6:31pm**

Executive Committee Reports

Secretaries' Report - Kelly Rainey and Erica Ung

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

Presidents' Report - Allison Scott

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Vice Presidents' Report - Allison Scott

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Treasurer's Report - Priscilla Upchurch/Sharon Bertrand

- Opening balance - \$27,986.02; closing balance - \$38,796.50

Principal's Report Highland - Emily Banach

- Thank you for funding the stenciling on the blacktop. The kids are enjoying the games.
- Thank you for the laminator.
- Bus behaviors have been reviewed; fewer incidents.
- Gratitude
- Veteran's Day prep; assembly on Tuesday
- 11/14 - World Kindness Day; Be Kind shirts, Read Alouds throughout the building
- American Ed Week - parents are invited
- Halloween parade was successful
- Food Drive - Highland/Fritz vs Cook Hill/Parker Farms
- No school on Friday, Early Release 11/23
- 12/4, 9-11 - principals will be at Stop and Shop to collect donations for the food drive; K-kids will be invited

Principal's Report Fritz - Eric Carbone

- Lyman Pie pickup was successful
- Thank you for fall book fair volunteers
- Kickball game - successful win!

- Thank you for Trunk or Treat – went VERY well!
- Thank you to parents who attending Halloween events
- Veterans Day assembly tomorrow; donations going to local VFW
- American Education Week – join child at lunch or at designated math time slot for each grade
- Rotary Club will be visiting to give dictionaries and thesauruses to grade 3 and 5
- Coat Drive starting soon
- Picture Day – retakes and class pictures 11/18
- 11/30 – free meal program will end; applications for free/reduced lunches need to be filled out asap

Highland Teacher Rep Report – Allison Denya/Deb Hajjar

- 26 crafters are signed up, (half as many as in the past) but start was 3 months late. Crafters will set up in the gym and cafeteria.
- K-kids – decorated bags for food drive
- Safety patrol is going well; students are taking it seriously
- Sign-up genius was sent for bake sale table
- Volunteers (staff and boy scouts) are needed to help with set-up the night before

Fritz Teacher Rep Report – Tracy Tyrrell/Katie Davis

- Halloween activities were a big hit!
- 5th graders are doing safety patrol for 4 week intervals

Committee Reports

- **Fritz Book Fair** – the fair went very well; we elected to take the funds which were \$1,604.45 instead of Scholastic dollars. In the spring, the book fair will take the Scholastic dollars. Priscilla and Cheryl will run the book fair in the spring.
- **Trunk or Treat** – we received lots of positive feedback and we had a big turnout. If we elect to do it again next year, we would make changes such as time of event and asking for candy donations.
- **Spirit Wear** – orders for both schools arrived and were sent home with students
- **Fall Plant Sale** – ended on 10/31; we made \$310.55 based on 20% of sales
- **Lyman Orchards Pies and Cookies** – pick up went well. Thank you to Cheryl Tansley for running the fundraiser. We made \$7,295.79 profit.
- **Craft fair** – purchased advertising through Patch; info sent out to families to sign up for bakers to stock the Dessert Table

- **Gift Card Fundraiser** - will be sending home flyers next week. Will run through Monday 12/5. Pick up will be on 12/12 from 5:30-7:30 pm @ Fritz
- **Holiday Shoppe** - Fritz 12/5-12/9; Highland 12/12-16. We need to pick a room to set up for both schools. Set up will take place after school and the shop will run for 2 full days. Flyers will be sent out in the next couple of weeks and info looking for volunteers. Allison will run it at Fritz, Priscilla will run it at Highland.
- **Boys' Night Out** - Nilvio created a Google form looking to put together a committee to run and plan an event. The link to the form can be found in the Gator Gazette and Tiger Tribune.

Other Business/Questions

Next Meeting: 12/14/22

End: 7:16pm

Attendees:

Priscilla Upchurch
Stephanie Sheades
Kelly Rainey
Sarah Jarrett
Eric Carbone
Emily Banach
Erica Vitale
Katie Davis
Tracy Tyrrell
Debbie Hajjar
Allison Denya
Nilvio Perez
Rose Perez