

HYES PTO Meeting MINUTES
Highland and Fritz Elementary Schools

Date: 10/11/23

Time: 6:30pm

Meeting Place: Fritz Library

Attendees: See attached

Call to Order: 7:12pm

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Secretaries' Report - Kelly Rainey and Erica Vitale

Review of minutes - approved by Priscilla and Stephanie.

Presidents' Report - Allison Scott and Erin Huckle

- **Raise Craze** - total donations \$12,186.46, total proceeds \$11,084.55 - we kept 91% of all proceeds! The principals will be sleeping on the roof of each school as a reward for reaching the goal.
- **YMCA Road Race** - it was run on Sunday; will update when the YMCA sends us the info
- **Fritz Book Fair** - \$1,485.15

Vice Presidents' Report - Stephanie Sheades and Tanya White

- **Quinnipiac Women's Basketball Game** -
 - Game date chosen - Saturday, 01/06 at 1pm vs Manhattan
 - Fritz Chorus - waiting to hear if chorus can sing the national anthem at the game
 - Tickets - first 100 free tickets are kindly provided by QU
 - The board will examine our budget once the fall fundraisers/events conclude to determine how many free tickets we can offer
- **Sweetheart Dance**
 - Dates are set 02/03, snow date 02/24
 - Need to set time for event - 6-8pm
 - Need to discuss snacks for this year. We end up with too many snacks leftover.

Treasurer's Report - Priscilla Upchurch and Erica Ung

Opening balance: \$14,779.95

Closing balance: \$24,236.40

Principal's Report Highland - Emily Banach

Safety drills are happening.

Math Consultant came for PD today looking at math data and personalizing it for students.

Town meeting after Halloween. Parade will happen weather permitting.

Kickball game—planning to win.

Food Drive—both schools will work together to collect as many as possible.

11/7—no school for students; 11/10—everyone is off.

Principal's Report Fritz-Eric Carbone

- Thank you to everyone who helped with the recent fundraisers—Raise Craze, book fair, car wash.
- Conferences—10/18
- Hearing Screenings coming up.
- Early Release—10/19 and 10/24

Highland Teacher Rep Report -Allison Denya/Deb Hajjar

Thank you for the book shopping.

Veteran's Day assembly—11/13; invites have been sent out; lining up speakers; details will come out soon.

K-kids—sock drive coming up

Craft Fair—more crafters are signing up

Fritz Teacher Rep Report -

- Veteran's Day assembly coming up; collection for cosmetics; looking for speakers

Committee Reports

- **Fall Book Fairs** - we elected to take all cash proceeds for both fall fairs; all certified staff were given \$100 in scholastic dollars to shop
 - Over \$8,000 in sales for both fairs
 - **Highland** - we made \$1,701.95
 - **Fritz** - we made \$1,485.15
- **Plant Sale** - ends on 10/31
 - Due to the Beaumont Farms owner being injured, the board elected to not take any money made from the plant sale this fall
- **Lyman Pies/Cookies** -
 - Orders due Friday, 10/13; pick up will be Thursday 11/2, exact time to be sent out in reminder message
- **Trunk or Treat** -

- Date was changed to Saturday, 10/28
- DJ is booked, sign up sent out and candy donation boxes placed in schools

Other Business/Questions

- The board agreed to fund Mrs. Reeder's (Fritz school psychologist) request of \$150 to purchase board/card games for students who cannot or may not want to participate in recess at times

Next Meeting: 11/8/23

End:

Attendees:

Priscilla Upchurch
Stephanie Sheades
Kelly Rainey
Erica Vitale
Mike Ward
Juliette Buccilli
Tara Lutzen
Marisa Remick-Ovell
Tanya White
Allison Denya
Ilana Rashba
Sarah Lindberg
Tracy Tyrrell
Erin Huckle
Eric Carbone
Emily Banach