

Hosack PFA Meeting Agenda

February 7, 2017

1. Meeting Called to Order 9:18 am Karen Rosella
2. Secretary's Report Kelly Kaparakos
Minutes approved motion by Alice Rumsberger and seconded Leslie
3. Treasurer's Report Alice Rumberger

Income and Expenses for the month of November were:

Income:

- After School Basketball: \$1725
- Other After School Programs: \$850 for Chess
- Box Tops: \$742.80
- Coupon Books: \$25
- Chipotle: \$388.08
- Opt Out: \$197.50
- Field Trip Fees: \$90

Expenses:

- Classroom Allocations: \$153.42
- Auction: \$436.68
- Field Day: \$837.50 (downpayment on ELF)
- Homeroom Parties: \$70.98
- Coupon Books: \$12.50

4. Teacher Liaison Report Danielle Landy

Anthony Kremmel: Thanks for the soup lunch!

Cathy Gabriel: Thanks for the delicious soup!!

Christina Kralic: Thanks for the wonderful soup lunch and leftovers!

Val Chandler: Thank you for the OUTSTANDING soup lunch!! Our PFA is amazing. =)

Sue Louis: We appreciated the homemade soups, salads, bread, cookies and drinks. It is always such a treat to not have to pack a lunch, especially for homemade food! There was such a variety. It was also very nice that they bought left over containers to put the soup in for the following day. An idea for next year would be to leave the recipe by each crockpot or on a table somewhere as we would all love to make some for my family.

5. Principal's Report Amanda Mathieson

2/14 – Valentine's Day Parties – @2:15

2/17 – Auction and Dessert Night

2/21 – Artist in Residence (Kim Fox) in Art Classes – students will work on a collaborative tin mural

2/22 – 5th grade Orchestra – Side by Side practice at CMS

2/27 – Jump rope for Heart

3/1 – Pittsburgh Symphony Trip – Grade 2

3/6 – Kindergarten Registration

3/18 – Taste of NA -Tickets on sale at NA website

6. District Committee Reports:

- a. SPLC

Karen Rosella

The transportation department is now able to communicate with the parents affected when there are issues with their particular bus (i.e stuck in snow)

We toured Beattie Tech – and saw the programs that they offer. They have a fish fry during lent that is open to the community.

Their brochure is available for anyone to look through.

7. Committee Reports

- a. Dine Outs

Amy Rickicki

We received a check from BJ's in the amount of \$153.55 for the playground fund. Due to the the large number of families that attended, I find the amount disappointing. I don't think the servers actually kept track of the flyers that were turned in. I also believe the same thing happened last year at BJ's. I will not be organizing a Dine Out with them in the future.

Mark your calendars for the next Hosack Dine Out:

When: Monday, February 27, 2017

Where: California Pizza Kitchen
Ross Park Mall

Time: 11:00am - 9:30pm

CPK will donate 20% of all food and beverages from diners checks and the proceeds will go towards the Playground Fund. You may choose to Dine In or Carry out.

Flyers will be printed and distributed to students. You must bring the printed flyer or show the flyer from your phone before ordering.

b. Auction Baskets

Amy Rickicki

Entertainment-

Center Stage Dance Academy 6:05pm

Classical Martial Arts 6:35

Baskets will be on display around the first floor circle starting Thursday, Feb. 9.

Students will preview baskets with their home rooms on Wed 15, Thurs 16 or Fri 17.

We have received a large number of donations from local businesses, restaurants and stores. Some larger donations include: Free Birthday Party at Fun Fore All, Free Birthday Party at PlayGround World, Free Party at North Park Ice Skating Rink, Free week of overnight camp at Camp Kon-O-Kwee, Free Sports Camps, and Catering for 10 from Moe's. McCandless Crossing businesses and restaurants mostly chose not to participate in giving donations. :(

The Homeroom Baskets are very impressive!

Thank you!!!

We received only a few donations from families. We believe parents chose to donate to the Homeroom baskets instead of sending items in for the general Auction. We are happy about this!!!

We are still waiting on a few more donations- we hope to purchase an iPad Mini 2!!!!

c. Ticket Sales

Robyn Mascari

So far the homeroom with the most sales is 4C, Ms. Lamagna, with 500 tickets sold/ \$200 raised.

Compared to the 2 previous years I've sold tickets, our totals are about average....2015 only brought in >\$700 and last year we were already at \$2500.

Pre-sale will be held until the end of this week, Feb 10. I realize that there is a misprint in my flyer....it says Friday, Feb 12. this date is from last year. I will honor pre-sale prices until the end of the day Monday, Feb. 13 to compensate for this mistake. I will have the winning homeroom announced Tuesday morning.

I will be at the school during lunch, 11-2, Wednesday(2/15), Thursday(2/16), and Friday(2/17) of next week to sell tickets. All homerooms have signed up for a preview time during this time frame (I have also attached this form). Homeroom parents have been advised to communicate with their teachers and ask for additional help if needed.

8. Presidents' Report

Karen Rosella

Penny War – This fundraiser will be held the week of March 13th. It will be upstairs classes vs. downstairs classes with two jars available during lunch. Keep in mind pennies are positive all others are negative.

9. New Business

PLAYGROUND

Some parents are concerned about their child(ren) during outside recess. They say their child has no one to play with or that they have seen kids walking around by themselves.

Solution: A Buddy Bench - a student who has no one to play with or who is feeling left out can have a seat on the Buddy Bench. Classmates that see someone sitting on the Buddy Bench would go over and invite them to play. Not sure how much this would cost?

There was discussion about a "Buddy Bench" for consideration at our school. A teacher requested it for consideration to help facilitate or encourage interaction. Amy mentioned other parents also had discussed concerns they had with playground activity. Mandy and Danielle suggested if there is ever any playground concerns or issues, to please contact the school. The Aids who are present at recess work of encourage inclusion and interaction. Mandy and the 5th grade team have a "Positive Patrol Group" who tries to encourage positive interaction.

March PFA Meeting:

Tuesday, March 7, 9:15am

