Miscoe Hill PTO Meeting Minutes

| Date: 4/10/23 | Location: Miscoe Library & Zoom |
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| Called by: Victoria Wilkinson | Time:6:37pm |

Attendees

Victoria Wilkinson, Kelly Lucier, Jessica Tilley, Joe Bonapace, Deb Lane, Melissa Morse, Jen Mannion, Lyndsey Nickerson

Call to Order

Minutes approved by email consensus

Opening Reports

President’s Report: Victoria Wilkinson

* Both socials still need volunteers for chaperones

Treasurer’s Report: Kelly Lucier

* Accounts overview
* $130 and $104 textile checks from Jan, Feb
* Gallifords $196 check
* Donation from MIchelle Mercer Burke $150
* Everything is set up in ZIpBooks free version for the PTO Account
* Rushford CNO was 4/7. No word yet. Was busy.
* Have money and should try to spend. Estimating $5000 left in the account.

Principal’s Report:

* Past week and this week, Fire Safety presentations. Focusing on carbon monoxide. Very worthwhile.
* Administering MCAS. ELA session 1 last week, session 2 this week. Math and science in May.
* Field trips coming back again. Seventh grade getting ready. Eighth grade planning 6 Flags.
* Spanish Immersion night is expanding to a more cultural event.
* Tomorrow night is our electives showcase. Art teachers have taken ownership of spaces in the building and they refresh regularly. One of the projects, through my eyes, being done in Millis.
* Autism awareness
* 8th graders doing civic action projects. Focusing on multiple areas.
* Engineering design projects just finished.
* Play coming up
* Project Lead the Way implemented in technology and science classes. Recognition outside the district.
* Going to be showcasing our work with project based learning at event in Boston.
* Probably looking at 5 scholarships for Six Flags.

Agenda

Old Business- Unfinished

* Staff appreciation April- Deb
  + Poem with Heath bars.
  + Gearing up for Bus Driver Appreciation after April Vacation. Maybe muffin station?
* Teacher requests
* 5th/6th and 7th/8th socials April 28 for 7/8 or May 12 for 5/6. Sign up genius’ out for donations and volunteers. Asked Maureen Cohen if she would DJ. Karaoke machine came.

New Business- Ideas, Motions, Announcements

* School kits - update from Lyndsey
  + Logged in to portal. Touched based with Angela to reach out with staff to get lists. Lists finalized by mid-May. Kids will be delivered mid-August. Will let us know order dates so we can get them out to families. Suggestion to get extra kits for kids that come in mid-year. Also reach out to Mrs. Allen to see how many extras we might need for families in need. PTO has $800 in Good Neighbor fund to cover these extras.
* Review PTO by-laws – will do this next month.
* Any other ideas for getting more parents involved? Invite 4th grade parents to May meeting Jen will send out to upcoming parents about the meeting. Can post to Mendon/Upton FB Groups.
* Fall fundraiser? Flat fundraiser – cute letter $25 and I’m not making cupcakes, $50 you lose my number, etc. MUEF suggested we work on Spooky Run and split proceeds. Planning on flat fundraiser unless something else comes up. Raise Right gift cards – buy gift cards, company gives money back on gift cards. Perceived as providing a service to families.
* Tara leaving next year. Anyone interested in being PTO Secretary? Melissa Morse threw her hat in the ring for secretary. Could use fundraising chair, volunteer organizer, cultural arts coordinator.
* Vote for officers in May, present in June.

Next general meeting is **5/8/23**

* 6/12/23