Miscoe Hill PTO Meeting Minutes

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| Date: 10/17/22 | Location: Nipmuc Gathering space |
| Called by: Victoria Wilkinson | Time:7:15 |

Attendees

Victoria Wilkinson, Kelly Lucier, Jessica Tilley, Joe Bonapace, Deb Lane, Melissa Morse, Myah Stone, Gina McFadden

Call to Order

Approve Minutes (Recording Secretary) : 09/6/22

* Going forward will be approved over email. Will be sent to everyone in attendance and then reply all with approval or comments.

Opening Reports

President’s Report: Victoria Wilkinson

* We Care Miscoe thank you
* Teacher Requests
  + Approved request for Mr. Hanson. Through My Eyes. Project based activity for students in 8th grade making a 3D experience that will be presented in the lobby. All pieces can be reused ever year.
  + Chris Massey, Adjustment Counselor, will be asking for a poster request shortly.
  + Request will be coming for Greek Mythology show/presentation for 6th grade.
* How to promote fundraisers with kids – add to the announcements, put on tv scroll around school.

Treasurer’s Report: Kelly Lucier

* Accounts overview
  + Bay State Textiles brought in $110 for September (averaging $100 a month)
  + Through Deb’s teacher appreciation we brought in $230 in monetary donations to use going forward for appreciation events.
  + PTO gave $2028 for scholarships for 5th grade Nature’s Classroom.
  + A PayPal account was created to enable online donations to PTO. We should put on the bottom of everything - PTO signature, etc. There is a separate PayPal account for We Care Miscoe.

Principal’s Report: Jennifer Mannion

Agenda

Old Business- Unfinished

* Upcoming events
  + Book Fair – Nov 4 - 11
    - ELA block would be used to do a preview for students. Could kids shop at that time?
    - It will be in the library. Can’t use the gym all week if weather is bad. Could we do it Mon – Wed in the gym?
    - There will be wish lists from teachers.
    - Will need volunteers for set up and to work the fair.
* Fundraising
  + Spirit Wear fundraiser closed 9/25 – We made $125
  + New year round store? Discovered there is already a link for Miscoe Spirit Wear through Athletic Department including generic options. Jen is talking to Mr. Glassman about it.
  + DQ Cooks Night Out 10/13.
  + Meadow Farms and Money For Miscoe ends 10/26
  + Super Bowl Square update – Joe has been working with Stephanie and Jessica. Superbowlpoolsite.com. Joe created a trial event to test site out. Can link to Venmo or other payment services. Person goes to site, buys number of squares they want, they select squares they want and they pay. $10 per square. $1000 pot. Do $100 per quarter and last quarter gets $200. PTO would make $500. If we fill one up, could open a second one. Maybe 1 month before Superbowl put it out there. Jen needed to hear more before making a decision. Need to establish rules of play on the site. Link generated that can be sent out and on Facebook. Vicky will connect Jen and Joe. Will it be difficult to send out links to new games if we need them? Can push them to Miscoe website so current game link is always there. Can have different games at different values? $5 game and $10 game. Town clerk might be able to answer if this counts as a raffle.
  + Worcester Railers with chorus – Victoria – chorus didn’t want to step on 4th graders toes. Looking at another date.
  + WooSox fundraising opportunities – Stephanie
  + Can we add link to the form to donate money on the website? Also add to newsletter blurb.
  + Shamrock 5K if baseball giving it up?
  + Can we combine with Athletic Department and Music Boosters to do one big fundraiser together and split proceeds? Maybe we can get it organized for spring or next year if we can find a good fundraiser.
* Appreciation Day for IT/Custodial Staff recap
  + Everyone was so appreciative of the appreciation events.
  + Night janitor didn’t get to participate in the event. Will get him a gift card.
  + Next one is Occupational Therapy appreciation.
  + Will do a general holiday thank you. Crock pot soups? Cookie drive? Little gift bags?
* Diamond Painting Family Event
  + Looking to do it January or February. Maybe Valentine themed?
* Website
  + Ready to send out to everyone!
* Cultural Curriculum Enhancements - Gina

New Business- Ideas, Motions, Announcements

* Good Neighbor volunteers needed
  + Mrs. Allen will need people to organize and wrap supplies collected for holidays.
* PTO Logo
  + Ask Mr. Hansen about having kids help design.