

Hope School PTO Meeting, held at Hope School

April 5, 2022

Notes taken by: *Jeannine Jabaay*

In Attendance:

Jess Hogan *President*
Jeannine Jabaay *Secretary*
Tahneta Stroh *Vice President*
Starre Haas *Treasurer*
Erik Davidson *Parent*
Circe Schwentor *Teacher*
Tammy Highley *Teacher*
Lillie Stroh *Student Ambassador*

Call to order @ 3:50 pm

Principal report: *None Given (not present)*

Teacher report:

Ms. Circe/Ms. Christen Testing this week; next year, the hope is to consolidate the testing that happens in April. Social studies, just started in Ancient Greece; Science, just finished rock cycle, including volcano last week; Read-a-thon, kids were really jazzed and are excited about the pizza party on Friday; PE, playing a new game called Ga-Ga Gall which the kids really enjoy (Lincoln and Oliver have been amazing with the little kids!); Book Club, started "Westing Game," an older mystery game book (this is the final book club of the year); Planning end-of-year activities, "messy art days," "clean up days," etc.

Mrs. Highley Started testing today, just finished Lang. Arts (took easily 3-4 hours today), tomorrow starting Math (grades 5, 8 and 10 do Science); STAR Testing is a sort of "how the student is doing this moment in time," different than MAPS testing which tests progress (won't be doing MAPS next year, STAR only), no PEAKS testing any longer; Making it through the different political branches of government, and will soon be learning different political parties; Science, learning states and matter.

Treasurer report:

Current balance: \$6,392.43 (includes all the money paid out for the skiing, which is paid in full at approximately \$3,100).

Read-A-Thon : \$3,767.00 so far + additional checks that came in today (\$4,237 total); Ellie won the "most read pages" with over 7,000 pages, Ella and Bev are neck-in-neck with "most money raised" (Ella currently winning by \$8); Total pages read for the school was over 20,000 pages!

Balance in the bank as of 3/2/22: \$2,625.45 (does not include any Read-A-Thon money yet)

Expenses: None at this time; the Pizza Party will cost something which will be on next month's expenses

Student report:

Been able to do more “hands on” projects, including one that demonstrated different states of matter (evaporation without heat, condensation, liquid to solid without freezing); There are no current seniors this year (just one junior and three sophomores).

Old business:

Interactive VanGogh Experience: No new updates, not heard anything from them.

New business:

Pizza Party: Ten pizzas for the Read-a-thon pizza party this Friday, Jess Hogan is making 4 gluten-free crusts, Tahmeta is picking up the 7 Costco pizzas and cookies and drinks (expecting 30 people in total at the party, including students, staff and volunteer parents), Jeannine is picking prizes for the winners, going to get a 3rd prize since Ella and Beverly were so close in money raised and both raised over \$1,000 each; Pizza Party will be on Friday at noon, April 8th

Pool Upgrades: Kids had asked for pool cues, we could order them; Eva can order them; Jeannine made a motion to approve the purchase of pool cues up to \$300, Starre second'ed; unanimous approval

Fundraising & Activities: Car wash and end-of-year BBQ; Car wash / Bake Sale tentatively scheduled May 13; BBQ tentatively scheduled for May 18th (final day of the school year); Date will be determined at next PTO meeting

New Teacher Position: Mr. Hayman is interviewing for current teaching positions for next year. Staffing levels for Hope School TBA by KPBSD. Recommended to monitor KPBSD School Board meetings.

Next meeting scheduled for May 3, 2022

Meeting adjourned @ 4:42 pm