

Hope School PTO Meeting, held at Hope School

**May 10, 2022**

Notes taken by: Tahnetta Stroh

**In Attendance:**

Jess Hogan *President*  
Tahnetta Stroh *Vice President*  
Starre Haas *Treasurer*  
Bec Howard *Parent*  
Circe Schwentor *Teacher*  
Lillie Stroh *Student Ambassador*  
Cindy McKibben, *Principal*  
Christen Pec, *Teacher*  
Eva Pate, *School Secretary*

**Call to order @ 3:51pm**

**Principal report:** Intro to parents. Parent and staff log-in issues were discussed. Introduction, philosophy and understanding of job requirements. She will be here on Thursdays next year.

**Teacher report:**

**Ms. Circe/Ms. Christen-** Christen announced that she will be a teacher next year and we discussed what level she will teach. Lillie confirms that she is an incredible teacher for the older kids and the younger students. Circe discussed the title 1 reading picnic, scheduled for Thursday May 12th for students and parents. Two (2) Ipads were ordered but, have not been received. K-5 have been finishing up their work on ancient Greece and have earned their black light glow in the dark day. Older elementary kids have completed fractions.

Tuesday is garbage cleanup day and Wednesday is field day. Discussion about where garbage pick up will be. Algebra II has been completed by students and for the remainder of the year they will be learning about job readiness and preparation.

- **Mrs. Highley- (given by Lillie)** Students are doing reports on A Separate Piece. They are covering different aspects of government. Ecology is the current topic. Students are completing projects on different aspects of environmental awareness.

**Treasurer report:**

**Current balance: \$6,612.43** Plus \$220 of additional read a thon money that came in after 4/5/22

**Read-A-Thon : \$4,457.00**

**Balance in the bank as of May 3rd, 2022: \$6,612.43**

**Expenses:** None at this time

- Pizza party expenses
  - Need to get reimbursement total from Tahnetta. Tahnetta said she doesn't need to be reimbursed for purchasing pizzas.

- Next year's expenses will be downhill skiing expenses and we have a request to go to Kasitsna Bay again, before Landon Stroh graduates.

**Student report:** Included with Mrs. Highley's report.

**Old business:**

- **Interactive VanGogh Experience:** Tickets need to be purchased. Question about number of tickets and whether or not we can get a school rate. Question presented about whether we should purchase a lot of tickets (~25) and maybe could sell tickets that are not utilized. Motion to purchase a lot of tickets not to exceed \$1000 brought by Starr and seconded by Circe. Debate on who will purchase tickets, can Mr. Hayman get tickets on pro card before year ends? Christen said she will buy and be reimbursed from tickets if Mr. Hayman can't purchase.

**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 seconded; unanimous approval.

- Need has been met. Pool cues have been donated.

**Fundraising & Activities:** Car wash and end-of-year BBQ; Car wash / Bake Sale was tentatively scheduled May 13; BBQ tentatively scheduled for May 18th (final day of the school year); Potential for moving car wash to Memorial Day weekend due to rain forecast for the 13th. Tahmeta and Starr will help pick up kids to get them to school since class will be dismissed. Signs and advertising will be made before the end of school.

- Chef Chris has volunteered to cook for the end of the year bbq. Circe motioned to purchase food not to exceed \$300, Christen seconded.

**New business:**

- Suggestions for 2022-2023 school year. Christen presented a question about community night for next season. Volleyball, quilting, board games, etc. suggested as activities. Additional discussion presented about separating little kids from adults and older students. Survey of desired activities will be sent out at the beginning of the year.
- Open house suggested for the beginning of next school year.
- Re-implementing a weekly community meal provided by students is suggested. Change to lunch from breakfast is supported.

Motion to adjourn presented by Tahmeta, seconded by Christen.

**Next meeting scheduled** for October 2022

**Meeting adjourned @** 5:02 pm