

- Hope School PTO Meeting, held at Hope School
January 19, 2025
Notes taken by: Jessie Maguire

In Attendance: Christy Antista-Smith, Carey Idle, Lee Airth, Tahneta Stroh, Kelsey Farber, Jess Hogan, Jessie Maguire, Jeannine Jabaay, Eric Davidson, Jeremy McKibben, Christen Peck

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Call to order @ 3:41

Principal report: Not present

Teacher report: Jeremy reports War of 1812, star spangled banner, British invasion of Canada, being learned by the primary grades. Math and reading something new every day. Looked at Moab and different ideas for transportation to travel through. The students are writing papers about how they'd like to travel through and why.

Christen says they are learning and growing! Battle of the Books coming up soon. Busy art projects going on. Avogadro's number, math inequalities being learned. The kids are flipping literally with the new mat.

Treasurer report: \$24,109.54 Pie auction so far earned \$4,593.00

Current balance as of September 9:

New revenue since last meeting: None to report

Expenses: None to report

Student report: Ellie says everything is doing good. The mat has been delivered as well as the punching bag and gloves. Everyone is super excited about the mat.

Old business: SWAG orders are live for ordering online. Jasmine was the student artist. An email went out with a link to place orders on a very cost-effective, simple website. Joeline Fortin is buying everyone in the Hope school a shirt.

Some drums from the district have come in, most in a state of disarray. LEGO robotics; we're checking on getting some kits and will need some volunteers to come in and complete the kits with the kids.

Skiing lessons; Waivers are ready to fill out for the ski lessons. They official Alyeska letterhead needs to be used. Make sure vehicle safety check proof of insurance, volunteer background check, if you're going to transport anyone besides your own students. The volunteer check needs to be done even if you're only transporting your own student. Dates are set for Feb 17, March 4, 24, 31 of 2026. Jeremy motions for skiing budget not to exceed \$8,000, Tahneta seconds.

Graduating Senior Scholarship Fund; proposal to offer the fund and make it routine. Need to establish what the process to apply & award will be and for how much. Can't be just a cash payout; needs to be granted as community college funds, or books. A question is raised about which post secondary schools or programs would qualify (Christian college, flight school?).

Suggestion for reevaluation of award amount each year to adjust for number of applicants and balance of funds in PTO account. More district information will be gathered before moving forward to know how funds can be distributed.

New business: Readathon is the next fundraiser coming up. Different expectations for each group based on age. 3 groups will be divided to be fair about reading levels.

Students have idea for gymnastics bar to hang from or do flips, might need additional equipment to make it work.

Teacher idea for inflatable dome and students creation of paper mache helmets and backpacks. Request for newspaper from everyone to donate in order to make paper mache.

Jeremy and Chisten ask that parent/teacher conferences be scheduled for after school 1st and 2nd week of February.

Meeting adjourned @4:20 Jessie motion to adjourn, Jess seconds.