

High Point Elementary PTO Board Meeting November 12, 2021 – 7:45am

In Attendance: Mindy Schwartz Karla Avery Greta Crowly Stacey Carlsen Ashlea Neal Dr. Miller

## A. Principals Update (Dr. Miller)

- a. Lots of After School activities back on the schedule
  - i. Mission was the culprit of the trash → resolved
  - ii. Steam Club is successful
  - iii. Alliance Going to be a more combined with multiple grades
    - 1. Several teachers with theatre backgrounds helping
- b. YBC after school not in compliance and didn't reapply this year.
- c. Girls Inc, Girls on the Run...Boys programming →coming soon
- d. Staff had cooking class yesterday
  - i. Staff diversity welcomed →all grades, administrators, paras, specials
- e. Outdoor classroom
  - i. Materials ordered
  - ii. Company in charge is taking initiative, being proactive
- f. Masks down
  - i. Our numbers stayed down after Halloween
  - ii. No mask shaming either way in the school
  - iii. Mitigation Strategies trying to be consistent amongst our cluster
    - 1. Answers regarding winter parties for our cluster next week
- g. MAP testing for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> was last week
- h. Academics Iready results in Fall were good
  - i. Top rated, in our cluster
  - ii. January Iready results will truly show our growth and hopefully show the borderline students will have moved into the green/on level
  - iii. Software Imagine Math facts a hit
    - 1. Initiate teacher survey regarding software usage
      - a. What they like/dislike
      - b. Needs
- i. Field trips Instructional time is more important, at least until we get our Iready scores up and can prove more stable growth



- B. Minutes Approval from 9/17 & 10/15
  - a. 9/17 approved
  - b. 10/15 & 11/12 approval next meeting
- C. High Hopes Campaign Recap
  - a. \$43K raised gross funds and pledges.
  - b. Committee was great
  - c. Bus Stop Buddy was a hit
  - d. Donations/gifts were up per family \$281/avg.
    - i. 104 Families made a gift
  - e. Sunday Fundays not as affective this year
  - f. Kindergarten support lower than expected
    - i. Needing to engage these parents and getting them involved
    - ii. Bring back socials and playdates, Boo-hoo breakfast
    - iii. Survey the Kindergarten parents on what can do better
- D. Fall Festival Recap
  - a. Income 23K (this includes Corporate sponsors)...Expenses 14K
  - b. Corporate sponsors \$9750 for fall festival
  - c. Not enough volunteers
    - i. Have enough volunteers show up for volunteer meeting ahead of time
  - d. Pizza truck is not efficient
- E. Winter Event Status
  - a. Bingo will be February 4<sup>th</sup>...No Sweetheart Dance
    - i. It will be in the Gym
    - ii. Bridget Blake Chair
      - 1. Stacey Carlsen and Kim Greenia: Co-chair
- F. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Funding & Partnership
  - a. School will be liable for dance
  - b. Increase volunteers
  - c. Due to finances 5<sup>th</sup> Grade and PTO partnership necessary
- G. Jamie the custodian being promoted and will be down to 3 and cannot higher anyone until January. Last day is next week.
- H. Lost and Found will cleaned out next week and will be moved back inside
  - a. Lost and Found needs to be sorted more than once a week
- I. PTO Operations & Vision
  - a. Discuss at PTO breakfast
  - b. PTO bylaws say positions are 2 years, but approval can be made if no one is interested



- J. Hospitality Events
  - a. Staff Holiday Party December
  - b. Stock the Lounge January
- K. Book Fair December 2
- L. 2022 Spirit Nights (Greta)
  - a. Buoen Fornello– November
  - b. Cheeseburger Bobby's December
  - c. Ice Skating Night January
    - i. Cheeseburger Bobby's in tandem.