Huron Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2016ol

Parents present: Jessica Thompson, Courtney McKenzie-Moore, Kelly Valenza, Melody Smith, Julie Kler, Jennifer Crooks, Jamie Wallace, Kim Price

Teachers present: Deb North, Meghan Trombley, Kelli Kennedy, Nikki Urban, Laura Heck, Tara Koch

1. **Call to Order**
2. Meeting was called to order at 4:13pm
3. **Introductions**
   1. Introductions were made. We had 8 parents and 6 teachers/staff attend.
4. **Approval of November Minutes**
   1. Minutes were approved by Courtney McKenzie-Moore and seconded by Jessica Thompson.
5. **Principal’s Report**
   1. M Step results will be going home across the entire district this Thursday January 14th for grades 3 through 5.
   2. PEN night is this Thursday January 14th for Grades 3-5. Families can still RSVP to attend. At last count there was over 200 people for dinner and 76 students registered.
   3. Promoting Positive Parenting- The next step is looking into how to bring children into this. The PBIS team met to look at how to reboot our system and take it to the next level and try to make this part of Huron’s culture. There will now be monthly drawings 1 Tuesday per month (Blue Ticket Tuesday).
   4. PA System- Over break a new PA system was installed. There will now be upbeat music playing in the morning and a bell now rings at 3:50pm to dismiss walkers.
   5. Portable Microphone System- This was identified as a need the PTO may be able to help purchase as it is something that the entire school can benefit from.
   6. New Tops Teacher- Meghan Trombley is the new Tops Teacher working with Upper Elementary half days Monday through Thursday.
   7. School Board Meeting- On Monday January 25th at 6:30pm there will be a School Board Meeting where Beth Gleason will be honored as School Social Worker of the year from last year. Huron W.A.T.C.H. Dogs will also be showcased and everyone is invited to attend.
6. **Treasurers Report**
   1. The budget report was reviewed and it was requested that at next meeting the actual balance of the PTO account also be shown on the budget report.
7. **Staff Business/ Information**
   1. Miss Heck discussed that progress reports will be sent home on January 22nd.
   2. It was also discussed that Spirit week is at the end of January and the teachers came up with fun themes for every day.
8. **Events Report**
   1. Old
      1. Movie Night- Movie night went really well, we were almost at capacity. Everything went very smoothly and many parents/grandparents stayed after to help clean things up.
      2. Santa Shop- The Santa shop had a profit of about $900.00. A lot of parents volunteered to help and many of the children came through to shop. Thank you Courtney McKenzie-Moore for chairing this. The PTO is looking for a new person/persons to chair Santa shop for next year.
      3. Spirit Wear- Everyone received their spirit wear orders. There were several concerns with the company that was used, including needing to have minimums of many items and a misprint on the sweatpants. For the next spirit wear order the previous company will be utilized, but with some fresh ideas.
   2. New
      1. Chuck E. Cheese- There will be a fundraiser night at Chuck E. Cheese this Friday January 15th from 4:00pm to 9:00pm.
      2. Huron’s Got Talent- Rehearsals start tomorrow January 12th. There are 42 students participating in 26 acts. The talent show is on January 29th, 2016. The doors open at 5:45pm with the show starting promptly at 6:00pm. It is $2.00 per person at the door. There will be candy bouquets and spirit wear for sale.
      3. Carnation Grams – The PTO will be trying something new this year for Valentine’s Day. Carnations will be for sale for parents to buy their students or for students to purchase for other students and they will be able to write a message with the carnation. They will be delivered at the end of the day on February 12th during the Valentine’s Day parties.
      4. Family Night at Huron- Family night will be held at Huron on May 12th, 2016. Passport will provide mostaccioli, salad and bread for $2.50 per person.
      5. Spring Fling- Spring Fling will be held on March 24th and will mirror Harvest Fest in hopes to draw in all students and not just the younger grades.
9. **Open Discussion**
   1. March is reading month and the theme this year is frogs and Leap into Reading.
10. **Adjournment**- Meeting called to a close at 5:13pm.

Minutes Submitted by Melody Smith