

Hillside Elementary School

PTA Meeting Minutes

April 4, 2017

- I. Call to Order by Alex Wells at 7:06 p.m.

- II. Minutes
 - A. Motion to approve by Kim Krentcil
 - B. Second to approve by Margaret Davis
 - C. March 21, 2107 meeting minutes approved.

- III. Correspondence
 - A. Provided by Jenn Bonardi – no correspondence

- IV. Treasurer’s Report
 - A. Provided by Meryll Kropac
 - B. Bank Balance as of March 31, 2017

Checking	\$63,291.02
Outdoor Resources	\$0.00
Money Market	\$1,739.84
Games of Chance	\$100.42
Pay Pal	\$512.35
Total	\$65,643.63

- C. See full Treasurer’s report for additional details.
 - D. Money was requested by Mr. Gramata and the production crew for the school play (June 2, 2017) in order to purchase headsets and a mixer. The cost is \$2806.84. Vote was taken and was unanimously approved.

- V. Membership
 - A. Provided by Zan Ouyang – no new members

- VI. President’s Report:
 - A. Provided by Alex Wells
 - B. Kudos to the 5th Grade committee! Tokens of appreciation were given to all the volunteers for the spring fundraiser.
 - C. Volunteers of the month: Coco Sung and Linda for Art Appreciation.
 - D. Trep\$ is ongoing and is a huge success. Thank you to all the volunteers.

VII. Principal's Report:

- A. Thank you for the great fundraiser. Staff had a great time.
- B. Conferences and half-days this week.
- C. After the spring break, the PAARC starts. Students are well prepared.
- D. Thanks to everyone for the entire PTA support.
- E. The play this year is Aladdin, Jr. Everyone is very excited.

VIII. Old Business

- A. Art Appreciations: Coco Sung reported via email. Files from this year will be organized and saved for the future. Some suggestions are to schedule art appreciation for after the PAARC. However, Mr. Gramata said this is not possible, and suggested that maybe art appreciation should be scheduled for early March.
- B. Spring Fundraiser: Reported by Margaret Davis.
 - a. Thanks to all who donated. There was a great turnout.

IX. Committee Reports

- B. Year Books: Reported via email. Final submission is the end of the month.
- C. Board of Education Observer: Reported via Email from Kelly Meyers. There was a meeting on March 27th, but she did not attend. Per the BOE website emergency procedures were discussed, the BOE voted to eliminate the lottery for subscription bus service, and special education was discussed.
- D. 5th Grade Committee: reported by Margaret Davis.
 - a. Bake sales will be starting up again after break.
 - b. 5th grade gift should be arriving soon. New mats for the office door and kindergarten door.
 - c. End of the year boat trip will be on June 14th.
 - d. Wednesday, June 21st is the moving-up ceremony.
- E. Box Tops: Reported via email from Nicole Aaron- Wagener. Another collection this month.
- F. Skate Night: Reported by Alyse Berger Heilpern
 - a. Will be held on May 11th from 6-8 at the Florham Park Rink. We will be raising money to donate to Memorial Sloan Kettering in Tom Halloran's memory. Need to sign-up in advance.
- G. Earth Day Committee: via email Joanne Dzama—will be held on the 21st. Partnering with a Browning and Girl Scout troop to clean-up around the school and plant flowers by the kindergarten door.
- H. Nominating Committee: Reported by Margaret Davis. Next month we will vote (paper vote). Some positions have more than 1 person interested. However, the treasurer position is still open.
- I. School Supply Kits – reported by Priscilla Moschella. Thank you to Mr. Gramata and the teachers for revising their lists. We are ahead of schedule.

- J. Carnival: Reported by Margaret Davis. Will be held on May 25th from 3-6 rain date is June 1st. Volunteer flyers will be sent out soon. There will be a DJ, inflatables, games and Swedes. Also Argyles will be selling food. Pre-orders for the wristband will be \$12 and \$15 day of the carnival.
- K. Yard Sale: Reported by Jennifer Bonardi. Will be held on April 22nd 8am-1pm. Taking donations. Need volunteers. No pre-shopping.
- L. Staff Appreciation Week: reported by Margaret Davis. May 1st – May 5th. Thursday of that week the class parents will decorate the doors and on Friday there will be a staff luncheon.
- M. Family Fitness – Reported by Joanne Dzama via email. Will be held on May 12th from 6-8pm. Grades K-2. Looking for family volunteers.
- N. Mothers' Day Plant Sale – Reported via Email. Flyer is being prepared. Only accepting checks.
- O. TREP\$: Reported by Jennifer Bonardi. Marketplace is being held on April 18th 6-8pm. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony. President of the BOE will be in attendance.

X. Comments

- A. Mrs. Richmond had a great time at the fundraiser. Also, a lot of art work is still up from the art appreciation program in the halls.
- B. Mrs. Richmond also had a question about the PTA grants and deadlines. Need to contact Christina Weiner.
- C. Ms. Domicolo appreciates all that we do.

XI. Meeting adjourned by Alex Wells at 7:55pm