

November 17, 2021 / 6:30pm

In Attendance

Melissa Deloreto – Principal, Jennifer D’Angelo –President, Jessica Stearns – VP, Carrie Estabrooks – Treasurer, Sarah Susco – Secretary

Parents/Teachers – Devon Sullivan, Samantha Saren, Melissa Donovan, Heather Treptow, Shealyn Redfield, Emily Shrader, Kelly Hanretta

Introductions

The board as well as the principal introduced themselves. All guests then introduced themselves.

Principal’s Report

- Veteran’s Day walk-a-thon went well, nice day and all kids together for first time since Covid. Raised about \$3000.00. Melissa and team will pick a local organization.
- Upcoming dates
 - Early release this Friday (11/19)
 - No school wed, thurs, fri next week for Thanksgiving break
 - 12/10 LBH pride day – kids wear LBH t-shirts
 - 12/10 report cards issued. Went to trimester this year and changed the format of the report card to the “I can” format. There is a parent guide to help understand the report card. Report cards can be accessed in infinite campus through the parent portal. Parent guide sent home.
- Library is open.

Treasurer’s Report

- Income = \$7,284.22. expenses = \$2846.09, net = \$4,438.13
- Bank account balance as of 11/17/21 = \$17,252.06

Announcements/New Business

- Popcorn– all popcorn bought for the year was sold during the first sale. We then imposed a limit of 4 bags per student. Bought more popcorn last month and have 1 box left for Friday. \$45 per case of popcorn and have spent approx \$195 this year. Profits used as a behavior incentive for 4th graders – star rewards and auction.
- Recess equipment update- Melissa DeLoreto bought cart for Fish playground.
- Gaga pit – Melissa Donovan has specs of the pit that the Flanders parent built and will email to Melissa DeLoreto.
- Handicapped mat for fish playground. Jessica S. got information on Moby Mat. Need to measure the exact distance and needs to be a minimum of 3ft wide. 13 feet long will cost approx. \$500. Jen D. and Mr. James can measure for the exact length needed. Designed to last approx. 20 years.
- “Thankful for Staff” re-stock in teacher’s lounge went well. Teachers were surprised and very thankful. They sent kind notes to thank those who helped, which were read by Jennifer D.
- Treasurer – Carrie Estabrooks is stepping down but will still be helping as she can. We put the position out on the Facebook page last month and got zero interest. Sarah Susco will be treasurer and we will recruit a new secretary. Carrie E. will do the yearbook.

Fundraisers

- Mums- \$1755.00 to Smiths Acres (will come out of current bank account balance)
- Charleston wrap – got an additional \$221.70 because online sales did not close when the fundraiser did
- Pies - \$2282.00
- Bookfair – Scholastic said it was the most successful since 2015 – just under \$9000.00. E-wallet helped with the success– 122 families signed up. Cash profit over \$1500, scholastic dollars \$1400 and with scholastic dollars from previous fundraising, there is over \$2400.00 for Melissa to decide what to do with. Some teachers used round up money to get books.
- Square One- order forms are out, families can order online, and have until Monday to order. All orders are shipping home this year. There is no shipping fee on the order form only online and we are waiting for Square One to get back to us with an answer about shipping and paper order forms. Original artwork will come back to students within a month.
- Passive fundraisers – some in effect since 2007.
 - Box Tops
 - Amazon Smile .5% and you need to log into Smile separately
 - My coke rewards – box in the faculty lounge, can also scan tops of soda. Need to accumulate certain amount of rewards to payout.
 - Shutterfly – scan QR code before ordering and 8% goes to school
 - Jessica S is looking into QR codes and online links for families to use
- Apparel sale –
 - Currently comparing the company we used last year with a new one. The company last year does 2-week sales and we are able to adjust the price. They will ship to home or school. The new company Jessica is looking into prints on demand and only sends items home. We get 10% of sales. They will run promotions certain times of the year to incentivize people to buy more. Need to look at sales from last year to see which would be more profitable.
 - Parent asked about supply issues – Jessica will look into at both companies.

Upcoming Events

- Holiday gift collection will be for Safe Futures and supports victims of domestic violence. Wish lists on Amazon and Target that LBH families can buy from and will ship directly to Safe Futures. Gift can also be dropped off at the school (lobby) and the PTA plans on starting the collection the Monday after Thanksgiving.
- Elf Shelf – students can shop for gifts for family and friends in the LBH gym. All gifts \$2. Cafeteria will have games, activities, and photo booth (by Shealyn and Carrie E). Typically sell snacks to raise money but we cannot during Covid so the PTA is going to have baskets to raffle off instead of food. Carrie E. is donating a mini photo session, pampered chef basket donated, Flanders Fish Market basket, Bower Bird basket, and more. Could use a few more volunteers to help with the event. Jessica S. and Devon are overseeing the games and activities and the theme is Candyland. Elf Shelf will be open to the Lillie B Haynes community only. A need to have more adults in the shopping area to help move things along was expressed.

Next Meeting

December 15th at 6:30pm, the Library at Lillie B. Haynes