
In Attendance

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

Parents/Teachers – None

Introductions

The board as well as the principal introduced themselves.

The following changes have been made to the board: Carrie Estabrooks stepped down as Treasurer, Sarah Susco became Treasurer and Emily Shrader has been appointed as Secretary.

Principal's Report

- Students will be naming a dog as a result of the Veteran’s Day fundraiser.
- Upcoming dates
 - 12/22- Wear holiday colors
 - 12/23- Early dismissal day
 - 12/24-1/2- Holiday break
 - 1/14- School pride day (wear LBH shirts)
 - 1/14-Early release day
 - 1/17- No School- Holiday
 - 1/28- Spirit Day- Sports day

Treasurer's Report

- Bank account balance as of 12/15/21 = \$21,089.36; Previous month’s balance= \$17,782.10
- Expecting to reimburse for Elf Shelf expenses.
- Sarah is looking into an exemption certificate and if it is still valid in order to get reimbursed on taxes.
- Emily will update membership list and enroll into CT PTA.

Announcements/Old Business

- Square One is experiencing shipping delays. The company will send out printable gift cards to let recipients know their gift is on the way. Discussed doing the fundraiser earlier next year and discussed the high cost of shipping.
- Elf Shelf had a huge turnout and the board has already come up with ideas to make the event run more smoothly next year. Even though the line was long, the families were positive about the experience.
- Recess equipment update- Melissa DeLoreto bought cart for Fish playground.
- Gaga pit – Emily will reach out to builders of Flanders’ pit and inquire about them possibly building one for Lillie B and how much that would cost. The PTA will reach out to the Lillie B parents to see if any parents can donate their expertise/money to the cause.
- Handicapped mat for fish playground. Measurements of recess grounds for mat- roughly 75 feet. Discussed moving the swing closer to the gate to lower the price. Discussed purchasing an easel, tetherball, and other outdoor equipment for students with special needs.
- Holiday Collection for Safe Futures was very successful. There were 2 carloads of gifts for the clients.

Fundraisers/Upcoming Events

- Square One- no update on profits yet
- Apparel sale –Jessica is in communication with the company and we will be looking at roughly the end of January time frame for the apparel sale.
- Dine out with Flanders Fish will be 2/24
- Dine outs will be planned for January and March as well.
- Change Challenge will be in March. Discussed having it coincide with March Madness.
- Movie Night will be skipped since we can't sell popcorn. We will look into other fun ideas for activities.
- Smencil Sale for February/Valentine's Day time frame.

New Business

- There will be another staff lounge restock. It is a morale booster and the staff feel very appreciated.
- An idea for a school-wide cookbook was proposed.
- Feedback on Steady Photography- a suggestion was made to have students with special needs come earlier so as not to be overwhelmed by the noise and commotion. People seemed generally happy with their pictures but some backgrounds may not have been as flattering. Feedback will be given to the company.

Next Meeting

January 19th at 6:30pm, the Library at Lillie B. Haynes