

# Hamilton PTA Meeting

Thursday, November 18, 2021

Attendance: Principal D. Recker, Teacher Liason C. Buxton, President N. Reinkensmeyer, Vice President L. Larivee, Co-Treasurers G. Belanger and P. Joliat, Communications Director J. Dobranos, Secretary M. Cyrulewski,

In-Person/Zoom

Food drive: going well and things have been coming in every day

- Food goes to Forgotten Harvest
- Class parties on Dec. 17 – no parent party
- No PTA meeting in December

Ways to support Hamilton

- Mabel's labels
- Kroger rewards
- Bags
- Box tops
- Spirit wear
- Restaurant night in November

School updates – November

- Trunk or Treat – next year revisit parking
- Student council food drive for forgotten harvest
- Math pentathlon had begun
- Teacher appreciation lunch before break

December

- Students involved in another community service project
- Opportunities to support other schools (Athens-Elf play) – look at website

Open discussion of a school wide safe activity for the winter

- Hot cocoa outside
- Ice skating

Continuing discussion on big school project

- Outdoor learning classroom
- Kids write something that they want

## Budget

- Current: \$40,640
- Everything has been deposited from Jog-A-Thon
- Estimate amount for large school projects: \$10,000
- Open to ideas for special projects
- Budget breakdown – get from Nicole

## Principal update

- Halloween parade – kids had fun – Troy high drumline
- Conferences
- Math Pentathlon – 35 students
- First late start dedicated to supporting linguistic students
- Late start 12/1 – another professional training
- Facilities review committee
- This summer, our parking lot and front cement work is going to be redone
- Learning about character education – Book called Thrivers
  - What does the ideal Hamilton student look like?

## Staff update

- Thank you for conference bags
- Teachers are appreciative of grants

## VP Shout Outs

- Trunk or Treat
  - All parents who volunteered to decorate cars
  - Filled entire parking lot
  - Katie Cook stepped up and helped Lindsey with logistics, candy and parking
- Angies
  - Conference goody bags
  - PTA lunch bags
- Katie Gorman
  - Connected us to Forgotten Harvest

Respectfully submitted by M. Cyrulewski