

Meeting was called to order by Karen Castelli @ 7:10pm

Members in attendance: PTO Board: Karen Castelli (President), Jen Savoy (Treasurer), Jen Voegtli (Secretary); Eric Larson (Principal, IS), Dolores Bates (Principal, MS), BJ Noonan, Michele Ouellette

Members virtual: Nicole Harlow, Jen O'Neal, Lauren Casini, Julie Peryga, Jen Favalora

Secretary's Report: (Jen Voegtli)

April minutes were reviewed. Jen Savoy made a motion to approve. BJ Noonan seconded. Minutes passed.

President's report (Karen Castelli):

-Karen thanked Eric for allowing the PTO to come to the incoming 4th grade information meeting to meet with incoming IS parents.

-Still need more information from Eric and Dolores for the timing of the event. There will be a flag folding ceremony in the auditorium, and students will read their essays about Memorial Day.

Treasurer's Report (Jen Savoy):

-No new income came in this month.

-Our expenses last month included \$715 for the cultural arts poetry workshop, \$500 for a deposit on the upcoming cultural arts BMX event, \$680 for staff appreciation luncheon.

-We currently have \$40,323.12 in the bank.

HKIS Principal's Report (Eric Larson):

-Eric thanked the PTO for the staff lunch, as well as coming out to the incoming 4th grade parents' night.

-Gift card raffle for the staff starts May 5.

-Looking for parent help for the summer 3rd to 4th grade step-up picnic. The picnic will be held mid to late August and will have 2 sessions.

-SBAC testing started.

-Today we celebrated Star Wars Day (May the 4th be with you).

-Began formal planning of the step-up celebration for 5th graders. Parents are invited. The event starts at 9:15am. Current 4th graders will be invited (last year the 4th graders enjoyed being a part of the ceremony). There will be a picnic planned. The PTO has a budget of \$1000 for this event.

-Eric, Wendy Scoppa, and Michele O. visited KES and Burr and the current 3rd graders are excited about coming to the IS.

-Still not sure if the 4th grade Poetry Coffee House event will occur this year.

HKMS Principal's Report (Dolores Bates):

-Dolores thanked the PTO for the staff luncheon, as well as the various Cultural Arts performances.

-April 28th the 8th graders toured the HS.

-6th and 7th graders will do course selections for the following year via PowerSchool.

-5th graders will do their course selection for 6th grade via PowerSchool as well. There will be a MS parent information night in June.

-There will be a 4-day MS ready program in August for current 5th graders. There are spaces for 50-60 students. The program will go over organizational skills, team building skills and other MS readiness. An email will be coming out soon.

-Spring sports (softball, baseball and track) have all started.

-Dolores thanked everyone who came out to vote for the school budget. The budget passed.

HKIMS Team Leader (Michele Ouellette):

- May 26th is the day of the AAFA show. A Blood Drive will be held from 1-6pm, and the AAFA show will be held from 6-8pm with both schools.
- Unified sports volleyball tournament will be held Tuesday, May 10th at 3:30pm at HKIMS.

Committee Reports:

Cultural Arts (Karen Castelli):

- 7th grade Poet assembly had mixed reviews from the students.
- Everyone loved the band, Boogie Chillun
- BMX event will be on June 8th. The shows are 40 minutes long. The IS will have their show at 1:30pm, and the theme is "Healthier You". We still need a time for the MS.

Yearbook (Nicole Harlow):

- 197 yearbooks have been sold. 80 from 4th grade, 106 from 5th. 11 books have been purchased by the school.
- 98 people have used the custom page feature.
- Nicole needs help with proofreading the book. (Eric, Karen and Katie will help).
- Would like more money in the budget for next year for extra yearbooks.
- The school earned 4 yearbooks from selling the quota amount.
- Extra books need to be ordered by May 19th in order to come with the rest of the shipment.
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Book Fair (BJ Noonan):

- Working with Leanne Honious for class hours/visits for sales.
- The book fair will be open from 9-3 for class visits.
- Looking for 2 3-hour volunteer slots (we had a problem with volunteering this fall).
- Set up will be May 20th.

Craft Fair (Jen Favalora):

- Youth and Family Services would love to take over the craft fair.

New Business:

- PTO Executive Board will be voted on at the next meeting, June 1st.
- BJ made a motion to approve up to \$500 for yearbook support. Jen O'Neal seconded. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at =8:37pm by Karen Castelli
Next meeting scheduled for June 1st, 2022 @ 7pm.