

Jan. meeting: 1/8

5:30-6:30 PM / HGE Library

Agenda:

5. Call to Order

- a. Rochelle Roldan
- b. b. Stephen Strinka
- c. c. Emily Ottinger
- d. d. Nikki Douros
- e. e. Stacey Rubin
- f. f. Julie Derus
- g. g. Jeanna Wagner
- h. h. Stela Baker
- i. i. Chris Blados
- j. j. Melissa Koch

6. Principal Report

- a. District updates:
 - i. By the end of January the 2025-2026 calendar should be out
 - ii. Tomorrow (Jan 9) bond-related item timeline should be communicated (which will include a new playground for our school)
 - iii. MAPS testing was completed in December
 - iv. Next Tuesday DIBBLES starts - gives data on risk for future reading difficulties
 - v. Working on “One School, One Book”. Book has been approved, now working on other items related to literacy month
 - 1. Thursday in March to celebrate

7. President Report

- a. Mural as a legacy item
 - i. Stela has an artist in mind. If this is something we would like to do, we need to create a line item in the budget for this. Stela can pull some examples of her work to share at next meeting for HG community to view and decide

1. Let's make sure that where we want to put the mural, that that area of the school would not be impacted by the bond
 2. Cost is an important deciding factor, so it would be good to have an idea on cost before moving forward
 3. Timing - TBD, but when kids are not in school
- b. Back to school supplies - <https://1stdayschoolsupplies.com/connect/?id=18736>
- i. In previous year, the school has used a back-to-school supply supplier to help parents to get ready for school.
 1. The previous supplier wasn't very responsive, so we are looking for other options
 - a. The most expensive box was <\$40, name brand items
 - ii. The supply list may need to be ready earlier than in past years to be able to be ready to communicate with families.
- c. May Carnival - date? Need to confirm with Fun Services soon.
- i. Friday, May 16th
- d. K to 2 field trip:
- i. Arvada Center: Lyle Lyle Crocodile play. The funding for this will be voted on as a funding request at this meeting.
- e. Science Heroes assembly - <https://www.thescienceheroes.com/>
- i. Days and times that work for us - Chris and Stela to discuss (not April because of CMAS and MAPS testing)
- f. Canceling Feb PTO Meeting due to conferences
- g. Need a volunteer to help plan the dance-Nikki Douros Volunteers to plan the dance
- i. Date: Friday, February 28th
 - ii. Time: 6:15-7:45, set up starts at 5:00
 - iii. Need a DJ? Or maybe just use Spotify
 1. The teacher could please use the morning connection circle to get a list of 10 songs per class that we can use to supplement an elementary-appropriate playlist
 - iv. If no DJ, then need to get lighting. But if no DJ, we would also have budget for lights. \$250 was what was reserved for the DJ
 - v. Open up the wall between the cafeteria and gym to expand the room

- vi. HG 4th grade Girl Scout troop to sell cookies the last part of the dance
- 8. Spirit Night
 - a. Volunteer - Spirit Night Flag (Lisa White)
 - b. Skate City Spirit Night: Monday, January 13th 6:00-8:00
- 9. Treasury
 - a. Treasury Position filled by Emily Ottinger (no vote needed - according to the bylaws, the President can approve)
- 10. Teacher Appreciation
 - a. Conference Dinner(s) - budget allows for \$700, which usually only covers one night. Do we want to increase the budget to cover both nights?
 - i. Sign-up Genius for ongoing snack/drink supply for the teachers' lounge to be started during conferences (Jeanna work on this)
 - b. Chair Massages were a hit, definitely do again next year
 - c. January Appreciation early next week
 - d. Feb Appreciation need to coordinate with Mishel
 - e. Teacher (Staff) Appreciation Week
 - i. May 5 - May 9
 - ii. Increased budget request
- 11. Other Business
 - a. Funding Requests: Current budget \$1650.
 - i. K. Rasmussen - Play "Lyle Lyle Crocodile" May 1st and May 7th for K-2nd \$3994.95
 - ii. 2nd grade teachers requesting digital/scannable Whipbook flip chart, \$194.97 for three
 - iii. Kinder - in-school field trip from Denver Children's Museum \$400.16 for all classes combined
 - iv. F. Anello - Scoop chairs for flexible seating \$94.99 for 6
 - v. 3rd grade - Museum of Nature and Science program field trip \$1277.55
 - vi. Total (without the K-2 field trip request) = \$1,983.51
 - 1. The Board discussed/suggests covering the 3rd grade field trip up to the point that we are not going over the original \$1650 budget.
 - b. Motion to approve items ii through v, up to \$1650 (leaving \$333.51 for 3rd grade to have families pay any left over costs)

- i. Motion was approved
- c. Motion to approve funding request budget increase by \$3994.95 to cover item i
(K-2nd field trip)
 - i. Motion was approved
- d. Motion to approve item i
 - i. Motion was approved