**Monday, October 7, 2024**

# HKIMS PTO Meeting Minutes

**Attendance**

In-person:

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| Julie Peryga, PTO Vice President | Kristy Hebert, PTO Treasurer | Kelly Drajewicz |
| Dorothy Ventura, MS Principal | Eric Larson, IS Principal | Jamie Sierpinski |

Online: Paige Callahan

Phone: Nicole Harlow, PTO Secretary

**Vice President's Report (Julie P.)**

- Nothing to report at this time, will discuss any updates with Committee reports.

**Treasurer's Report (Kristy H)**

- Paid out for field trips $5,000.
- Check was cut for Summer Learning $941.38

**MS Principal's Report (Dorothy V)**

- Everything is going great.
- Survey to go out asking parents and students how things are going.
- 8th Grade 3 day Field Trip being planned after Memorial Day weekend.

**IS Principal's Report (Eric L)**

- Excited for Fall Festival
- Student Council have been chosen and things are off to a great start.

**Committee's**

Spirit Wear – no update

Welcome Wagon

- 1 new student started at IS in the last week, was Jen aware of this and was a package dropped off?
- Julie emailed Joyce asking if any email had been sent on the new student. Joyce reached out to Jen B.

Teacher/ Staff Appreciation

- Gift bags were made for the Custodians to show Thanks and Appreciation for all they do.

PTO Leadership – no update

Bus Driver Appreciation

- Jamie Sierpinski stepped up to chair event. Thank You Jamie.
- Julie discussed what had been done in the past and that all school PTOs work together.
- Event date is usually the Friday before Thanksgiving

Cup Committee – (Kelly)

- Kelly asked when the next time the cups will need to be done. Nicole said around February if weather is not too cold.
- When Kelly is ready to change the cups, she will work with Dorothy to get some 8th graders to assist.

Yearbook – (Nicole)

- Nicole has received a decent number of volunteers to help with yearbook this year.
- Yearbook meeting for volunteers is set for 10/15/24.

Book Fair – (Nicole)

- Fair will be run the first week of December, ending 12/7 (day of Craft Fair).
- Signup genius will go out closer to event.

Cultural Arts – (Julie)

- Need to find a committee head.
- Extreme Science is scheduled for IS on 10/25.
- Back Track Vocals scheduled for February, IS and MS.
- Eric would like something for field day, Julie has been looking at options. We don't have many funds to work with on this.

Fall Festival – (Paige)

- Julie emailed Paige and Jesse photos of the items we had in the PTO storage area.
- Nicole shared the list of past games.
- Paige was going to look at what they can do in place of Bingo. She was going to speak with the teachers and price out some items. Budget $500.
- Nicole offered her scarecrows for one of the games if needed.

Fundraising –

- Cougar Color Challenge
    - Working on sponsors to see if event can go on, we will know by Thursday if it's a go.
        - Kristy said she would reach out to Liberty Bank and Heather Hood.
        - Kelly said she would reach out to Jack's.
        - Julie said she would try to get to Nutmeg Pharmacy and Sweet Tooth.
    - If we are moving forward we will need shirt sizes ASAP
        - Dorothy said MS has sizes for most staff and students and she will share.
        - Informed Dorothy and Eric that we would need shirt sizes by 10/16.
    - Will use Zeffy as the platform.
    - Signup genius sent out and positions are filling up.
    - Asked Principal's if they could have Admin send out paper copies to all students on sponsors since we are not hearing back from people by email or online. Julie said she would email Lori, Anne and Katie once she got home.
- We will need to consider some of the other fundraising ideas mentioned once the color run is over to help raise funds.
- Julie mentioned locker skins. These can be for teachers or students. All different styles, sports, etc.

New Business -

- Nothing new to report, we have our hands full with Cougar Color Challenge right now.