

HPTC Minutes  
January 8, 2020  
6:00 pm

In attendance: Amy Woodruff, Rachel Chaltraw, Jenny Boelter, Jill Rummier, Allison Buchman, Stephanie Keck-Warren

Meeting called to order: 5:56 pm

Minutes approved

Treasurer's report: Jenny Boelter (see attached)

Highlights: Fun Fair raised \$11,212.05 (may be some adjustments, still waiting on Kohl's donation ect), Square 1 Art made \$1877.29- this is a bit lower than anticipated. Would really like to get going on trying to get some grants and sponsorships. Rachel Chaltraw looked into some grants and they need to be for specific things, thinking we may be able to get some grants for Spark. Rachel stated that we may not be able to get grants for this year based on some deadlines she saw for most of them but she will look more into that now that it is after the first of the year. Rachel Chaltraw also had thought that at the last meeting Jim Bailey said Lisa Beird may be familiar with grant writing so maybe she could help.

Teacher's report: Jill Rummier

- K- Back to school routines
- 1st Grade - The First Grade Elves made over \$300 to raise money to purchase gifts for our Toys-for-Tots collection.
- 2nd - Second grade will spend the month collecting and returning pop cans to raise money to purchase material to make no-sew blankets to donate to the Project Linus Foundation. Students will make blankets on February 13th.
- 3rd Grade - Third grade students made sun catchers and holiday pins for members of a local retirement home. They look forward to a visit from Genot, a former teacher who will give an interactive presentation of the Native American early days in Michigan.
- 4th & 5th grade students will have an opportunity to participate in the spelling bee which will take place on January 30th.
- 5th grade students are getting ready for the Wax Museum.
- Student Council: the students did an individual partner project. The projects are displayed on the wall outside the gym. A new group of students will start February 1.

Principal's report: Jim Bailey

- The students in 1st-5th grade are currently taking the winter NWEA assessment. The window is open from January 6th-25th.
- Hemmeter will host a multicultural night on Wednesday, March 25th. We will have many more details to follow, but I wanted to get the date out to you as soon as possible.
- The Hemmeter robotics team won the prestigious Inspiration Award at the Robotics competition in December. This award celebrates a team that is empowered by their *FIRST* LEGO League experience and displays extraordinary enthusiasm and spirit. Thank you to our amazing coaches, [Shamali Joshi](#) and [Raja Ramakrishnan](#)
- Hemmeter Math Night will be on Thursday, February 6th, from 5:30pm-7:30pm. Join us for games and refreshments. We'll also announce the winners of the grade level TriMathlon that will be held in school on February 4th & 6th.
- The ancillary staff would like thank HPTC for organizing the holiday donation. It was very thoughtful of you to think of us.
- The student council had a successful popcorn fundraiser. They used the money collected to purchase a Lego Cart for the school. The cart includes Legos, books about Legos, and stands to build on.

#### Committee Reports:

DI: We have 6 DI teams, 2 of which are kindergarten groups so that is exciting. Regionals are February 22 At Clare Primary School. The rising star group theme is space and planets so that should be fun for them.

Family Dance: Dance is January 17, 2020 from 6:30-8:30pm. Photobooth and DJ are all set. We will have desserts available. Could use some help with decorating.

Spark: T-shirt design flyers were sent home before break. The deadline is January 21. Amy Woodruff will check with Jamie Barnes to see if a reminder note will go home. Jill Rummier also suggested that it might be a good reminder for the teachers to put on SeeSaw.

Box Tops: Just received a check for \$330 for our November 1 submission. Looks like families are using the online platform also. Jenny Boelter talked to Jim Bailey about running a contest before the next submission date of March 1, more details to come.

Holiday Scrip: Did well, raised \$1173.84 so far this year. Connie Brown and Jenny Boelter plan to do a once a month Scrip order the last week of each month for the rest of the school year. Connie Brown will donate the shipping cost (\$8.50) each month. We will highlight things coming up the next month to try to entice people to buy (for example February we have the Chipotle fundraiser, Papa John's fundraiser, and also it is Valentine's Day, just reminders of things coming up people may want gift cards for)

Vice President's report: Rachel Chaltraw

An article on the History Bee was recently in the Township View. She will continue to check on possible sponsorship/grant opportunities that might be available (Spring deadlines).

New Business: Amy Woodruff would like to get a group from Hemmeter for the DNR- Run for the Trees event. More info about it can be found on the michigan.gov website. It is a virtual run

where you can run, walk, hike etc during a window of 10 days (April 17-26) and then you submit your time and receive a t-shirt, medal and bib. All proceeds support tree planting efforts at Michigan State parks. Rachel Chaltraw will contact Jamie Stella and Missy Hoch since they ran the running club to see if they might be interested in helping to organize an event for those that would like to participate.

Meeting adjourned: 6:35pm