

Hemmeter Parent Teacher Council

General Membership Meeting

Wednesday, April 8, 2015

6:00 p.m. Teacher's Lounge

I. Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m by Jennifer Jaffe. THANK YOU to Josh & Becky Mosher for an awesome Fun Fair.

In Attendance: Jennifer Jaffe, Jenny Boelter, Jaime Huffman, Sarah Jane Deibel, Jim Bailey, Jill Rummler, Josh Mosher, Jenna Whiteherse, Ted Christian, Elissa Basil, Karrie Baskins.

II. Secretary's Report: Sarah Jane Deibel:

May meeting minutes were submitted and accepted, after correcting Barnes & Noble profit to \$420.44.

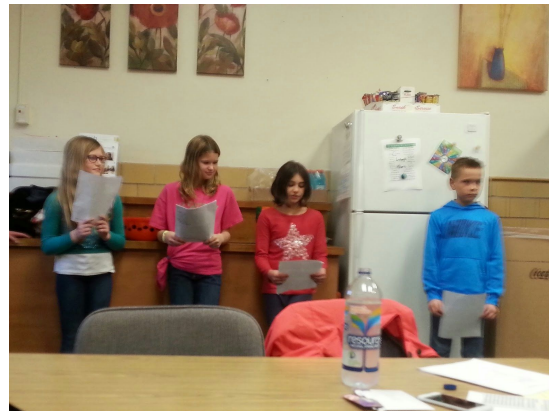
III. Playground shed, Ted Christian:

Ted has meeting with Bridget Smith, township planner, tomorrow for approval of location for shed. Ed Spence will help pour concrete upon approval. Slab needs to cure for 1 week before building. Ted was previously told Menards would donate materials for the shed, when we were ready, but now has been told donations go through corporate office. He completed the request last night and will also pursue possible donations from Lowe's or Home Depot.

IV. "March is Reading Month": Student Council reps

Nate Baskins, Molly Basil, Abby Buchalski, Isabelle Whiteherse

Student Council spent 2 months preparing a special reading week for Reading Month. They planned a week of collecting books to donate to the READ association, with a prize drawing for participants. Prizes included reading in special chairs during the read-in, breakfast with Mr. Bailey and two friends, a \$25 gift card donated by Barnes & Noble, and 22 new books selected by the teachers and school staff. They made presentations in each class, put posters in the halls, and decorated drawing boxes and a book cart which they used for collections that week. 3,294 books were received.



V. Financial Report: Jenny Boelter reported:

· Incoming amounts: Papa Johns \$209.31(Feb) & \$161.00 (Mar), School Store \$165.50, Scrip March \$291.03, Kroger awards \$200.81, Buffalo Wild Wings \$181, Beef O'Brady's (Feb): 116.81, Fun Fair \$8,846. DI made \$1,230 with Qdoba fundraiser.

- Outgoing: \$610 DI State competition, Field trips for Kindergarten to Dow Gardens & MCFTA, Papa Johns, and Junie B. Jones at the temple theater. Garden irrigation contract of \$158 for spring start up, one summer check, and winterization. Math theme week \$87. Ipad chargers were purchased.
- 3-5 grades went to Temple Theater for Lightning Thief, which was sponsored by Mahar Tool.
- Next meeting will include a budget discussion.

VI. Staff Report: Jill Rummmler

- K – Classes will go to the Temple Theater to see the play Junie B. Jones next Tuesday.
- 1 – Slowly preparing for Lunch with Someone Special (Stacey Rutherford & Cassandra Chasnis). Working on music program.
- 2 – Starting our Community Unit – Students will participate in an ABC's of Saginaw project.
- 3 – Titanic Study – Students are studying the Titanic, and reading, writing, and completing an art project about it.
- 4th – Consumers Energy presented a “Think Energy” presentation. Each child was sent home with a kit to be used to help conserve energy in the home. Each classroom will receive a \$100.00 check if every student returns a survey about the kit.
- 5th – Working on Wax Museum project and the 5th grade musical – Shrek – April 15th.

Both 4th and 5th grade said the Lightning Thief play that they attended was excellent! Thank you to Mahar Tool for funding this field trip.

Assembly – We will have an author visit this Friday. Matt Faulkner will visit our school for a K-2 and 3-5 presentation.

Thank you to HPTC for providing animal crackers for our math week celebration!

March is Reading Month Spirit Week was a blast!

VII. Principal's Report: Jim Bailey reported:

- Congratulations to Jill Rummmler who received a grant (MEEMIC Award) to fund special reading benches for her class. She also had a student essay winner at Barnes & Noble.
- March Madness reading bracket winners were announced today.
- Melanie Kahl put in a lot of work for the Student Council reading activity, including the preparation weeks, Reading Week, and afterwards.
- Thank you to Becky & Josh Mosher, committee heads, and volunteers for making Fun Fair run so smoothly.

MSTEP State testing is starting on Monday for 5th grade (replacing MEAP). It was supposed to be adaptive testing with quick results, but because other schools in the state chose pencil and paper method, it will be same questions for all and scores will come in the fall. A majority of schools are taking the test online. Scores usually drop when the testing instrument changes, so our first year will be a baseline.

MSTEP is designed to be higher level thinking testing. It will also include a classroom discussion one day with an assessment the next day on the content. For example, a discussion on pros/cons of zoos with students writing an essay response.

VII. Committee Reports: Jennifer Jaffe

- *March Math theme week* was successful. Mr. Bailey confirmed another one for April.
- *Fun Fair: Josh Mosher* reported they really appreciated having so many committee heads and volunteers who took care of many of the details so they could oversee the whole event. Next year, they don't need to pay for big games, may choose not to do the shirts (\$23/ea). Moshers will continue at least next year. Hicks' studio will plan to close for next year's fun fair.
- *School Store: Rachel Chaltraw* is done with school store orders, but has inventory to sell this year. Will do a table at Taco Night and sell at the Open House next year.
- *Playground update (Jim Bailey):* Gaga pit is very popular, but needs padding under it as there are 5-6 kids each day scraping knuckles on the ground. Gaga gloves were too expensive. Looking at playground mats. Rubber Recycled mats are \$4.79 per square foot piece. Deibels will paint playground when warm enough.
- *DI (Jill Allardyce)* posted the schedule for state tournament on the HPTC page. 6 of 7 teams made it and the competition is a week from Saturday.
- *Scholastic Book Fair (Jenna Whiteherse):* To set up on Friday the 17th in half of the gym. Will have two cash registers. The book fair will run all day Monday through Wednesday for students to visit with teachers and shop before/after school. Monday night will be Taco night with a chance for families to shop at the Scholastic Book Fair. Last chance will be Thursday morning before school.
- Book fair has "Under the Sea" theme. Marti will take pictures of the staff to post with their book recommendations. Gold coins and other fun things will accent the theme.
- Sign-up Genius will be used to get volunteers.
- *Taco Night (Jennifer Jaffe):* Monday, April 20, 5:30-7:30. Choice of beef or chicken filling. \$8 for adult meal (2 tacos, rice, beans, sour cream cheese sauce); \$6 kid's meal (1 taco, rice, beans, sauce); \$2 ala carte tacos. We provide plates and receive \$0.50/meal sold. Advance tickets (only) for sale and orders will be tracked on a spreadsheet, and confirmed before picking up meal.

Next meeting will include discussion on fundraisers. A possible fundraiser was also suggested at Yogurt Yeti on the 28th. Follow HPTC on facebook for more.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 6, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference room