

**Hemmeter Parent Teacher Council Meeting
October 5, 2016**

In attendance: Sarah Burke, Jen Jaffe, Jenny Boelter, Jim Bailey, Jill Rummmler, Pamela Jeruski

6:01 p.m.- meeting called to order

Financial Report: Jenny Boelter Reported:

Deposits:

491.38 from Kroger rewards
113.55 Meijer community rewards (final)
DI donation received for \$100
Fun Fair game sponsor donations (2) totaling \$300
116.87 Beef O Brady's reward
376.38 SCRIP

Expenses:

Staff birthdays \$41.96
Garden Items \$24
Sprinkler system maintenance \$7.42
Nonprofit annual reporting fee \$20
Recycling Fee for the school year \$335
Barnes and Noble cards for teachers (purchased using surplus) \$1,500
Skype cameras \$100
Lego robotics curriculum \$225
Curriculum night teacher dinner \$195
Parade supplies \$21.03
Fun fair deposits 768
Playground equipment \$56.90
Robotics Kit \$87.98
Library Books \$23.89

Classroom updates: Jill Rummmler reported:

Kindergarten-Field trip to Johnson's Pumpkin Patch on October 20. Learning about fall concepts (apples and pumpkins).

First Grade-Career month-parent volunteers come in a guest speakers to discuss their career. Field trip to Temple theater coming up. They will be seeing Skippy John Jones.

Second Grade-Field trip to Temple theater coming up to see Skippy John Jones on October 17. Learning about the American Flag and the meaning of the Pledge of Allegiance. Also enjoying Monthly art and Maker Space activities.

Third Grade-Studying the geography of Michigan. Upcoming field trip-"We the People."

Fourth Grade-Implemented a savings book incentive where students can earn virtual dollars for completing work and good behavior. Studying realistic fiction in writing.

Fifth Grade-Participating in a pumpkin painting charity. Vocabulary costumes for Halloween. Makers Space activity for social studies where students had to create a new tool that could have been used by a Native American.

All classes have been working on Square 1 Art.

All the teachers say thank you for the Barnes and Noble gift cards, the curriculum night dinner, and birthday treats.

Principal's update: Jim Bailey reported:

Thanks to the brownie troop for stepping up to represent us in the homecoming parade!

The truck looked amazing and the kids did so great walking the whole time in the rain!

Our 1-5 classrooms are all doing NWEA testing right now. This test is used 3 times per year. NWEA is different from MSTEP. MSTEP evaluates our programs and how they work as a whole. Data is not used to diagnose specifics for each student, it's for the school as a whole. NWEA assesses the individual student. This data tells us where each student is and what skills they are ready for. Teachers use the data for their lesson plans and it helps them know how to help each student.

School-wide activity--book characters for president. 6 books are being read in classrooms and then a mock election will occur.

We are finalizing an author visit for the school year. We are looking at doing "One Book One School." All families would read the same book and then come together to Skype with the author.

Committee reports: Jen Jaffe reported:

Square one- everything is underway and will be sent out soon. We will be accepting online orders only.

Directory- on its way! Watch for some info to come home soon!

Staff appreciation-we were happy to provide dinner for the staff for curriculum night, as well as honor our staff members with birthdays this month.

DI- there was a huge turnout for the meeting, and all is going well.

School store- made \$93 for the fall sale. Another winter order will go out before Christmas with some NEW items!

Skyzone fundraiser--went great!

Book Fair- Coming up October 24-27. This year it is a pirate theme. Monday-Wednesday hours will be 7:10-3:30; Thursday 11-7. More info will be coming home soon. Jim will also do "You've been caught reading" tickets for free books again. We are looking for a volunteer to chair this fundraiser for next year!

Fun Fair- prep is underway and going well. We do need volunteers! Please contact Pam Jeruski if you are interested! Pam will be at conferences Thursday night, October 27.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05

Next meeting November 2, 2016

Destination Imagination Fundraiser Tri-Cities Smart Cards

Hemmeter is selling Tri-Cities Smart Cards now through November 6th to raise money for our Destination Imagination program here at Hemmeter. D.I. is an extra-curricular creative problem-solving program. Smart Cards are similar to entertainment books but are in the form of tri-fold cards that easily fit in your purse, pocket, golf bag, or glove box. The cost is only \$20, but it is worth over \$8,000 in value! For example, you will receive \$80 off at Kokomo's, \$60 in car washes at Firehouse. There are also over 150 restaurant offers that are "buy one, get one free" or 50% off. In this economy, you cannot afford to miss this opportunity to save money! They also make great gifts. All coupons and discounts are good until November 2017. For a detailed list, please go to:

www.smartcardsavingspack.com

If you would like to purchase one or more Smart Cards, please fill out the bottom of this form and send it to school with your child. His/her teacher will make sure I get it. Orders will be filled daily and sent home with your child unless you indicate otherwise.

Thank you so much for supporting this valuable extra-curricular program!

Sincerely,
Jim Bailey

SMART CARD ORDER FORM

Name _____

Child's Homeroom Teacher _____

Number of Smart Cards Needed _____

Please include **checks payable to HPTC for \$20 each.**