

HILLSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTC

Meeting Minutes of October 2, 2018

Board Members in Attendance: Amelia Burke, Vanessa Jones, Mr. K, Meg Rosenbaum, Ms. Vaccaro, Heidi Weisel

The meeting came to order at 7:17 p.m.

Approved May 2018 PTC Meeting Minutes from prior meeting

- PTC Presidents' Update (Meg)
 - IIOC Update- surpassed goal of \$18,000- \$18,470- 63% family participation rate - printed directory, biggest fundraiser of the year, thanks for support
 - K Playdate and "Koffee & Kleenex"- welcome new and Kindergarten families, Sarah Docktor and Julie Hand co-chairs, K Playdate huge turnout, Koffee & Kleenex may be revamped next year due to logistics
 - Back to School Picnic- huge turnout, new chair needed
 - Slide is Fixed!! - PTC funded half the cost of repair, awaiting order on recess equipment - purchased twice a year (\$1000 in budget)
 - Yearbook - Samantha Shapiro, looking for chair for next year, outdated equipment- new equipment purchase- potential to purchase 4 refurbished iPod Touches (one per 5th grade classroom)
 - Spirit Wear Sale Has Begun (thru Oct. 12th) online and flyer
 - Coming up:
 - Room Parent Meeting on Friday, Oct. 5th in cafeteria at 8:35am
 - International Walk/Ride to School Day (Oct. 10th)
 - Modell's Fundraiser (Oct. 12th-Nov. 9th)- discount to families and benefits PTC, coupon in newsletter/Facebook
 - Fall Box Tops Contest (Oct. 15th- Oct. 26th)- popsicle party for winning class, clip and return to classroom teachers
 - Parent Poker Night (Oct. 20th)- social event, great prizes
 - Scholastic Book Fair (Nov. 6th - 8th) and Literacy Night with Josh Funk (Nov. 7th)
 - Understanding Different Abilities performance by Tim Van Egmond on guitar (Oct. 26) - school-wide assembly
- Volunteer Needs (Vanessa)
 - Media Center- contact Claire Currie, see newsletter for more information
 - Book Fair – volunteers will be needed for K-3 classes (look for email to come from Room Parents)

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- Hillside Cares - Food Pantry and Sandwich Making (Nov. 18th)- Sarah Burns- more details to come
- Open Positions: Yearbook Coordinator, Spring Carnival-without a coordinator, yearbook won't happen; last Carnival at Hillside.
- Budget Update (Heidi)-\$52k budgeted income for the year. Goal is to spend the money we earn. Heidi explained the budget and gave examples of where some of the PTC funds are spent each year.
- Principal's Update – Michael Kascak
 - Two fire drills- kids did great. ALICE drills coming but in non-alarmist way (alert locate inform counter evacuate) if armed intruder. Ryan O'Leary (school safety officer) will speak to K and 1st grade classes. Shelter in Place and tour different areas of school and around school (ie. Booth Street path) and headcount (go to homerooms, everyone gets counted).
 - Work Hard, Be Kind- central theme for clusters, mural outside cafeteria with examples of kindness from the students will move to Williams
- Vice Principal's Update- Erin Vaccaro
 - One Book/One School title "Courage" - read to audience to highlight Kindness theme
- NEF presentation (Seema Meloni)
 - works closely with school system to fund enrichment in schools; large and small grant opportunities
 - encouraged parents to write an NEF grant if they have an idea or know a teacher with an idea
 - contact Seema Meloni if interested in helping review Hillside PTC grants
- CAP Presentation (Caren Nemptzow)
 - Child Assault Prevention network keep children safe, strong, free
 - assertiveness against bullying, abuse, and stranger danger
 - 1st, 3rd, 5th grade workshops
 - age appropriate discussions and role plays to teach strategies to reduce vulnerability
 - 21 hours of training provided to volunteers- ask 3-6 hours/month with 1 year commitment
 - anyone interested please contact Caren Nemptzow

Next meeting date is 12/4 at 7:15pm.

The meeting adjourned at 8:26.

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