

Team Shirley Hills PTA Meeting Minutes

3/18/2019

6:30 pm Shirley Hills Media Center, childcare provided by Mrs. Hausladen

Attending: Megan Cegla, Elizabeth Christian, Karla Humbert, Tirish Dirks, Tracy Hvezda-Lehtola, Scott Eidsness

Approval of Minutes: Karla moved to approve the minutes, Megan seconded, Approved.

Share Our Success

- 03/01 Winter Carnival: \$20,836.12, pretty much on par with last year's carnival. Attendance was amazing despite the huge snowstorm that day. Tickets given out by Mrs. Howard and Mr. Eidsness were well-received. Will continue this practice next year.
- 03/11 Family Ice Skating Night: lots of people attended and enjoyed

Principal's Report: Ryan Fox is ready to start pricing and getting final decisions made on seating/furniture/tabletops, etc. Question about PTA budgeting for ongoing maintenance. Scout troops could be invited to do some volunteer work, but hiring professionals for consistency is the direction we want to go in. No groundbreaking date set yet but probably some time in April. Would like to include groundbreaking photos in this year's yearbook if possible.

2 classrooms for preschool next year when it moves from Stonegate Plaza. 3 year old will be here next year and 4 year olds the year after. Some rearranging of the classrooms will take place. 74 in K, Hilltop 111 has closed enrollment (for new families looking to open enroll). May push more discussions about switching to community school vs neighborhood school.

Teacher's Report: Chuck Koerner has made the PVC pipe walkers and they have been in use already by students. Mrs. Olausen was happy to receive funding for supplies. Shelves in the art room is another need for the future. A special request form will be drafted to allow teachers to ask PTA for funds when there is a need.

Board Reports: Treasurer: Carnival expenses broken down to reflect separate areas of expenditure. PTA dues paid to MN PTA.

MN PTA Bylaws and Standing Rules: the draft of Standing Rules were reviewed and suggestions for revisions made. Tirish moved, Megan 2nd, approved

Carnival Wrap-up: after Operetta is over a meeting may be called to review Carnival and discuss chairs for next year. Bouncy Houses, Pop Walk, Teachers Pet were the most popular. Need to ask Cherrydale for smaller bouncers that don't reach the ceiling. Possibly change prizes from little trinkets to a punch card for larger prizes or something similar to Hilltop's Oktoberfest. Munchie Walk prizes were intended to be larger fun-size bags rather than snack size bags, may revisit this for next year. Upstairs was noticeably busier this year than in years past, which worked well to ease congestion in downstairs hallway. Moving bouncers along wall and corners worked well for sight lines and flow of traffic.

Readathon Update: 4 more mystery readers needed. Book orders and pledges have started to come in. Tracy asked for feedback from teachers about the distribution of Readathon info to students and the reading of the guest authors' books to their classes.

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Operetta Update: Canvas flats will be stored at SH not the PAC. Tirish shared information about what is covered by the cost of participating in the Operetta from her conversation with Mrs. Bray. Info is useful for future-planning for Operetta expenses. Question of who pays for the busses to and from the PAC. One option is to build it into the fieldtrip fees parents pay at the beginning of the year for the year the Operetta is happening for SH. 8 busses load at 1:30 for a 2:00 show. Tirish moved to use PTA funds up to \$500 for busses, Tracy 2nd, approved.

Other Business: none

Adjourned

Upcoming PTA Sponsored Events & Announcements

- 03/22-29 Spring Break
- 04/04 Operetta at PAC, 7pm
- 04/05 Operetta at PAC, 7pm
- 04/09 Readathon Author (K & 1st)
- 04/10 Readathon Author (2nd – 4th)
- 04/12 Readathon Mystery Readers
- 04/17 Culver's Night
- 05/?? Al & Almas Teacher Appreciation Breakfast
- 05/24 Super Team Day & Book Fair