

Honey Brook Elementary School PTO
February 7, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order by Adriel Ofcharik at 7:03 pm.

In attendance was Lori Short, Adriel Ofcharik, Amanda Sharp, Michelle McClure, Christine Luke, Christopher Watson, Christine McCormick, Jamie Smith, Bre Jackson, Andrea Michener, Andrea Bumbulsky, Tara Nugent, Tracy Bingham, and Peg Manser.

Secretary Report: November meeting minutes were reviewed. Christine Luke approved them and Bre Jackson seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report: There has been quite a bit of money coming in and going out. Ms. Cooper has asked the PTO to cover the cost of upgrading and fixing the playground equipment. The cost is close to \$15,000. We asked for a vote to use the funds earned last year during Race for Education to cover the cost in its entirety. The vote was unanimously approved.

Principal's Corner: Because of the change in dates, Ms. Cooper was unable to attend.

Teacher's Corner: Mrs. McClure gave an update on the library. Book Fair will be held March 4-8 and during Muffins with Mom. She plans on holding evening hours during the week, hoping to lure parents in to do a little Easter shopping. She is going to look into establishing an E-wallet system this time. Basically parents put money into an account and their students can purchase items up to whatever amount is in the account. Book Fair will not be accepting checks.

One School, One book will take place in April. The book selected is called A Boy Called Bat. She will hold daily trivia and a family night. She is looking into getting a presentation done by a wildlife or nature agency, face painting, etc. The estimated cost is \$1856.40. She will use Book Fair money made in the fall and her budget for an author visit to cover the cost.

Adriel presented some information on a program available to the 4th graders in the Spring. Mr. Gambler is looking for bus funding for 4th Graders attending a combined area choir in Philadelphia in June. It is called American Young Voices. One bus will run \$560. He might need two buses depending on the amount of students signed up. We brought this to a vote which passed to cover 1 bus and split the cost of a second bus with REC and TVEC if necessary.

Visitor: Dr. Watson visited with the PTO. He works in the district office. He is the Director of Student Services/Special Education and District Safety Officer. He wanted to introduce himself to and let us know what his job entails. He can be seen attending IEP meetings and can help with learning disabilities. You can reach out to him with questions at 610-286-8600 ext 1694 or cwatson@tvdsd.org

Committee Reports:

School Store: Holiday Store made around \$1200. The company used was not a good one. We didn't receive items ordered, some can broken or moldy, etc. We took an extra discount. We also had to pull school store items out to sell. School store was close to \$500 during Holiday Shoppe. Regular school store begins February 14th. Please do not send more than \$3 with your child.

Yearbook: Yearbooks is looking for pictures of the 100th day of school and the band and choir concert. If you send us a picture, we will for sure use at least one of them.

Sweetheart Dance: Dance is planned for February 15th. Andie Bumbulsky is heading the committee. She is planning red and pink colors, a photo booth, and a balloon arch. \$15 per family if you pay early and \$20 at the door. We are trying to get the NHS to help serve the food.

Box Tops: We are collecting right now until the 19th of February.

New Business:

Valentine's parties will run as follows:

K-Party 10:30-11:30 Jump 9:20-9:40
1-Party 10:30-11:30 Jump 9:45-10:05
2-Party 10:30-11:30 Jump 10:10-10:30
3-Party 9:30-10:30 Jump 10:30-11:05
4-Party 10:00-11:00 Jump 11:10-11:40

Watch Dog Dads approached the PTO about covering the cost of lunches for the volunteers. The amount is \$3.90 per lunch. The motion was brought for a vote and passed unanimously.

Grandparents Day is at the end of May.

We will be holding our carnation gram fundraiser for Valentine's Day. Order forms in the office.

Race for Education will be moving to the Fall. We are a new board and did not have to expertise and information to get it up and started for Spring. It will also get it out of conflict with Jump Rope for Heart.

We are looking into using BoosterThon as a fundraiser. It is similar to RACE, a but a company does more of the grunt work.

We will also be having a plant sale fundraiser in the Spring. More information to come.

Bre Jackson brought information on how to sign a district wide petition to help the support staff get more benefits. She asked those willing to sign the petition.

Meeting was called to a close at 8:25pm by Adriel Ofcharik.