

Honey Brook Elementary School PTO

September 25, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 7:11pm by Adriel Ofcharik.

In attendance: Chasity Cooper-Principal, Alison Lane- Guidance Counselor, Adriel Ofcharik, Christine McCormick, Lori Short, Andera Michener, Peg Manser, Ashley Harnish, Bre Jackson, Michelle Brooks, Crystal Schaeffer, Kelly Alphonse, Jennifer Snyder, Becky Smith, Suzanne Majeski, Ashlyn Hornex, Christine Luke, Eliza Cho, Amanda D'Agostino, Holly Troupe, Amanda Sharp, Lisa McKeown, and Tracy Bingham.

Secretary's Report: May meeting minutes reviewed and approved by Christine Luke and seconded by Crystal Schaeffer.

Treasurer's Report: Reviewed and approved by Christine Luke and seconded by Bre Jackson.

Committee Reports:

Donuts with Dad and Muffins with Mom will be spearheaded by Dawn Koeller again this year. Donuts with Dad will be held the first Tuesday and Wednesday in November. Book fair will be held at the same time. This year an allergy friendly table will be made available that is separate from the other food, using a teal tablecloth to designate it as safe.

Yearbook is looking for pictures from Race, Field Day, and the Art Show from last school year. Photos can be uploaded using the ImageShare app or be emailed to hbecyearbook@gmail.com.

School Store is headed by Lisa McKeown this year. The first store was a success. Please do not send more than a few dollars in for school store. We are unable to accept checks for school store. Cash only please. We are looking into restarting the Remind text alerts. Facebook will continue to post reminders. School Store Vouchers may be available to purchase as birthday treats for the class.

New Business:

Please note the upcoming events:

9/28 Early Dismissal

10/08 No School

10/12 Picture Retake

10/18 Bullying Assembly

10/19 Elementary Tailgate

10/26 Harvest Party, Early Dismissal, and Trunk or Treat

Gobble Grams are being looked into for November. It just depends on if we can find an allergy friendly treat.

No food treats for birthdays. You can send in pencils or other small toys. Daily snacks in the classroom and food for holiday parties must follow the new district wide approved snack list.

Principal Corner:

The Title 1 program was a success over the summer. They will continue to put those funds to good use.

We are changing our Veteran's Day Celebration. It will be a school wide endeavor vs individual classroom celebrations. All students will line the first floor and watch a parade of the our military guests. Then in the gym, a school wide assembly will be held to honor the attendees. Flags from the 5 armed forces will be displayed. Each grade will sing a patriotic song. Grades 3 and 4 will stay for a Q and A session. Refreshments will follow.

A big thank you to the PTO for sponsoring the Robotics assembly that occurred a week ago. It was hit with the 3rd and 4th graders. A bullying assembly will take place in October. Ms. Cooper was able to find a group that used the same kind of language and teaching techniques already employed by the school.

Please continue to follow the new morning drop regime. It was implemented for the safety of our students and staff.

The new Raptor identification system will be installed in the next few weeks. You will need your ID the first time you enter the school. You will be put in the system. A name badge will be printed with your license photo. You will only need your ID the first time. Additionally, cameras are being installed inside and outside the school. The district is also looking into changing the front entryway to restrict access to the school unless you go through the office first.

A PTO member asked about getting safety training for those volunteers at the school that are not in a classroom, ie working in the book room etc, without access to staff and directions.

Watch DOG Dads sign ups will be available during Donuts with Dad. It is a great program and the students love getting interaction with HBEC community dads. There is a link on the school's web page which allows you to register as a Watch DOG.

Mrs. Lane gave a presentation regarding the Keeping our Children Safe FREE Workshop that will take place on October 18th at 5:45 pm. There will be a light dinner served. No children allowed. It is a frank discussion on how to keep our children safe and what kinds of threats there are out there. It is open to the community. You do need to RSVP to Mrs. Lane to attend. The meeting should last 2 hours in length. The PTO will be posting it to our Facebook page. Our students will be getting classroom discussions on the same topic in November.

Next meeting 11/27/18

Meeting adjourned by: Adriel Ofcharik at 8:09pm

Respectfully submitted by Lori Short