## February 13, 2024 - Meeting Minutes

President Julianna called meeting to order at 7:03pm; gave parents a few more minutes to join. Attendance at this time was 16.

Teacher Liaison Ms. Beverly led the group in an opening prayer.

**Treasurer report.** Treasurer Craig provided an update on current account balance and noted upcoming expenditures for spring events. Shared budget document w/ group. Deposited \$811 from winter raffle. Current account balance is \$15,951.

**Bingo Night**- Stephanie (Web/Social Media coordinator) shared March 22<sup>nd</sup> bingo and youth gift drive. **Date has been changed to March 15**<sup>th</sup>. Book drive will be held up until the night of the event. If you win big you can get a book or a \$5.00 gift card. Snacks will be sold.

**Fundraising.** Parliamentarian Dian- shared information about the winter raffle and encouraged parents to support the fundraising activities to generate much needed funds for the PTO sponsored activities. Fund Raising Plans for the rest of the year:

February - a sweets fundraiser (see FYIs for details on Sarris). This fundraiser will go on for the full month of Feb.

March - Double Good Popcorn sales. We hope to get classes involved by providing incentives such as kickback of a percentage of the profit. Details are still being worked out and will be shared at the next meeting.

April - Donation drive. We will ask the whole school to donate items and these will be sold to raise funds. May - Mother- Son/Daddy- Daughter dance- sending an interest survey to gauge interest including price parents are willing to pay to defray event expenses (including DJ, food etc)

Rachel (Parent)- questioned if there's a mailbox where fundraising fliers could be placed or teachers distribute them to each student to take home.

**Morning Greeter Feedback**- Positive feedback so far from volunteers. No feedback provided directly to the school. Evelyn (parent) commented that "puts a little pep in the student's step". More parent participation is needed.

## **Funding Proposal**

Coach Vito- Proposed a request for money to take the basketball team to Nationals. Requested \$2,000 for accommodation and transport. Vote was conducted by Dian. Lee moved the motion which was seconded by Julianna. The motion was carried with a majority vote of 14/25

## **NHA Update from Principal Joy**

- 1) Beeping fire alarm in the hallway. The school will have to replace all smoke detectors. Hopefully by next Monday the issue will be fixed.
- 2) There was a leak in the gym, which was fixed, however water is coming in at other spots. Work on the roof is almost done.
- 3) The hands-on elective program is great. Kids love it.
- 4) School dance- chaperone needed for 6:00-9:30pm.

- 5) School ends this Friday 2/16/24 at 12:30 for in-service work for teachers. They will be reviewing Al on new products to help teachers.
- 6) Spelling Bee winner is Evan!!

Ms. Joy asked for questions-

- 1. A Penn- asked about retaining the 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Ms. Joy described the scholarship for grade 9 and how it works w/ eligibility.
- 2. Melissa Olsen- shout out to all who supported the Sneaker ball. Amiyah Johnson came in 2<sup>nd</sup> place at the spelling Bee
- 3. Hancefah Trotter (fundraising committee chair)- requested times be added to the agenda. Provided details on the donation drive including the use of- Sign up Genius to see what people can donate. Money received is based on weight of collected goods.

Total attendance reached 26.

P Julianna adjourned the meeting at 7:41 pm.

