

Northeast Elementary School PTO Meeting Minutes

March 2, 2022

Total in Attendance: 7

Parents - Amanda Ruttenberg-Hakian, Rebecca Platt, Rachel Hampton, Tina Glidden, Mallory Macdonald

Staff –Brenda Greene, Agata Cavar

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm by PTO President, Amanda Ruttenberg-Hakian

President's Welcome: Amanda Ruttenberg-Hakian, PTO President, welcomed everyone to the meeting. She had nothing to report.

Vice President's Welcome: Rebecca Platt, PTO Vice President, had nothing to report.

Secretary's Report: Mallory Macdonald, NES PTO Recording Secretary, presented the February 3, 2022 minutes. All in attendance voted to approve the minutes as written.

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Tina Glidden, NES PTO Corresponding Secretary, had nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report: Rachel Hampton, NES PTO Treasurer, presented the treasurers report. There was no income. Expenses included office supplies/instant ink, items for staff appreciation (Amazon, Stop & Shop and Walmart), Peoples Bank fee and Zoom totaling \$181.24 leaving cash on hand balance of \$2464.90. All in attendance voted to approve the treasurer's report.

Principal's Tidbits: Dr. Brenda Greene, NES Principal, shared that the next upcoming spirit day would be "wear green" on Wednesday March 17th. The deadline for Munson's Chocolate orders is March 8th for delivery April 7th and 8th. Currently, 83 families are registered on Artsonia. For those not yet registered, creating an account requires school approval for access. There is no school for students March 18th and 21st due to staff professional development and there are half days March 24th and 25th for Parent/Teacher conferences. The last day of school is currently June 17th. The district recently made masks optional, though many students are still continuing to wear them. Emails are still being sent home on any new COVID cases in the district. Dr. Greene was also pleased to share that field trips to High Meadow and Boston will be held this year. She also confirmed that preschool will be returning to NES in the fall with two classrooms (4 sessions) available.

Old Business

Hartford Wolfpack Hockey: The NES PTO game was February 12th with approximately 30 people in attendance raising an estimated \$150 for the NES PTO. Among those in attendance were 3 PTO families and several staff members.

Teacher Appreciation: February's event was Valentine's themed with items such as juice, tea, honey, vitamin water, granola bars, fruit, etc. Dr. Greene thanked the NES PTO on behalf of staff.

Talent Show: There were nine NES students and staff who submitted talent for the first virtual talent show. Amanda is editing the submissions for viewing. Discussion was held on options to share/watch together. The plan is to likely share and watch via YouTube with a shared screen to allow for comments.

Munson's Chocolates: The deadline for order submissions is March 9th with delivery April 7th and 8th in time for spring vacation.

Artsonia: Over 80 families are currently signed up for Artsonia. The PTO will ask teachers to mention at Parent/Teacher conferences to ensure families are registered in time to promote the Mother's Day fundraiser in April.

New Business

Yard Goats: The NES PTO game will be Sunday April 24th. There are currently 40 tickets, with option to add additional tickets if there is interest. At least 90% of the tickets need to be purchased or a fee is charged to the PTO. Students will be able to do a high-5 tunnel with players.

March Community Event: Plan is for another game night March 25th.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:48 pm

The next ZOOM PTO Meeting is scheduled for

WEDNESDAY, April 6th, 2022 @7pm

Meeting ID: 502 094 7119 Passcode: NESPTO