

MINUTES

HSA PTA Meeting

December 4, 2024, 8:45 am| Meeting called to order by PTA President Lydia Vincenty

CALL TO ORDER

Attendees: Lydia Vincenty, Jen Donnelly, Erica Ashlock, Diana Tate, Nancy Chin, Heather Gregory, Emily Casey, Kate Cox, Natsumi Saito, Nick Bondi, Vanessa Shropshire, Nelia Quintilla, Sophia Kim, Jackie Kelly, Laura Kupperman-Caron and Jennifer Rhoades

OLD BUSINESS

- I. **Shop for Schools:** We are waiting on final numbers.
- II. **Wicked at AMC:** The PTA went to see Wicked and it was a great time. Emily will share future movie outings.
- III. **Building Blocks:** Erica is waiting to hear back.

NEW BUSINESS

- I. **Hawthorne Vision: Friday, Jan 31.** It will be an international fair. The committee sent out an email for food donations and contacts. They currently are in need of volunteers. This year they will have an ambassador for each continent plus one for an allergy table. The Ambassador will be responsible for coordinating food (nut free), education, activities and volunteers. The committee will continue to ask for assistance and send communication.
- II. **Holiday Fair, Dec 12:** We have over 25 students set up for the holiday craft fair. It looks like the temperature is about 30 degrees. It will be outside. The committee needs a huge push for volunteers to set up at 3:45pm. Also, we need tables for the event.
- III. **Coffee Sales/Krispy Kreme JH:** The coffee and donuts will be distributed at the Holiday fair. Total coffee sales at this time are \$2,720. We have sold 24 dozen donuts and the goal is 25 dozen.
- IV. **Staff Cookies Dec 17:** We have cookie tins for cookie distribution. Heather got the boxes for distribution. We need volunteers to help organize after drop off on Dec 17. We will include RAS Staff in the distribution.
- V. **Spring Social: The date is Friday, March 7.** The theme is "ALL IN." The auctioneer is not available. However, he did have a referral. Natsumi and Jackie will do interviews and sourcing for auctioneers. Kristy is helping with donations. We have parent volunteers for making baskets. The committee will send out a sign up for additional committees.

OTHER BUSINESS

- I. **Student Raffle:** The dates are Feb 7 - 28. This is teacher and student led. The PTA will give daily raffles for students. We need ideas for grand raffles for 5-8 graders and K-4 graders. The first goal is \$40,000 and then a secondary goal of \$50k. We will do a snack cart prize for the 1st two classrooms to hit a sales target (last year was \$500). We are making a push for 100% classroom participation. PTA will ask the room parents to send communication and make a push. The 8th grade incentive for an Ice Cream walking tour. Other prize ideas are a movie on the turf, a Cubs game or another class outing idea.
- II. **Spiritwear restock/Blue Ribbon items:** We are fully restocked. Please place orders.

- III. **Minted Fundraiser:** We have raised over \$500 in give back.
- IV. **ClimbZone outing** Feb 07: The details on the PTA website. Parents are welcome and it's a on Friday night.
- V. **Bulls game tix:** They are on sale for Holidays. We have a block for 300 tickets and that is the final cap
The game is on April 4th.
- VI. **Bad Momz:** Wednesday, April 23. Tickets will go on sale soon.
- VII. **Winter Break:** Dec 23-Jan 03
- VIII. **PTA membership:** Diana will send reminders to members from 2023-2024 list.
- IX. **Executive Board Nominations:** Start thinking about nominations for executive elections.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, January 8th. Meeting adjourned.