



## Hales Corners Elementary PTO Agenda March 19, 2024

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- **Call to Order 6:30pm**
- **Board Members in Attendance: Rhonda Perry, Lauren Michaud, Emili Kozminske, Anne Fueger, Barb Pergande**
- **Special Guests:** School Board Candidates - All present their Platforms and Views for the future of the School System
  - Rhonda Perry, Quin Brunette, Sean Flynn, Sarah Blonsky
- **Principal Report:** Lori Komasa -
  - The last two grade level music concerts will occur in April. The fifth grade concert was concluded and a farewell to the Fifth grade parents is always extra special. The Zoo trip will be coming this Friday 3/22 - Milwaukee Zoo offers School Trips at no charge in the month of March. PTO will be covering bus fare along with a Grant that was also secured By Lori Komasa. The Grant was also secured for the K4 "Cooking".
- **School Board Report:** Cassie Rainer -
  - The Superintendent application process is now closed with 20 candidates being considered. The School board will start the review process under closed sessions until the field is whittled down with the help of the local consultant. Once the final candidates are decided upon they will be presented to the Public. The new Superintendent will hope to be named by the end of April.
  - The Second Large item is the consideration of what will be included in the upcoming Referendum. The public surveys are being considered over the course of focus groups. A final survey will be mailed out on target date 4/15 with the final proposal to be finalized after the results are compiled.
    - Summer school registration is open through the beginning of April.
- **President's Report:** Lauren Michaud & Rhonda Perry
  - **Board Nominations:**
    - Vice President - Emili Kozminske, Alicia Shaw
    - Secretary - Megan Riviera, Jenny Graham
- **Treasurer's Report:** Anne Fueger - Report submitted and reviewed
- **Coordinator Reports:** Recent/Upcoming Events
  - **Spirit Wear Sale:** Update (Emili) 13 Total orders placed. Total of \$83.45 earned. There was a good Mixture of all three logos ordered. Lower than the Fall order of 29 orders and \$123 earned. Last year the spring sale saw 28 orders for \$122 earned. This sale was also run during the time timeline as the school wide spring sale and could account for the lower numbers. The fall sale next year will run before school starts, getting in the first Happenings of the year and closing one week after school starts. The Fall Sale will be considering new vendors
  - **Eat-N-Earn:** Cafe Zupas \$910.80 earned - **Adjusted to \$910.89** (Andrea) - Most successful Eat and earn that we have had Zupas is a 25% return where most are 10-15% Organ Piper is also being considered. Fall and Winter for the next year.
  - **Knowledge-A-Thon:** (Lauren) Monday, April 1st (Virtual Kick off Assembly), Friday, April 19th (Event), Friday, May 3rd (Wrap-up Assembly) - Kids LOVE this event - trivia on the things they have learned over the year. Pledge sheets filled out prior to event. This year's Goal is to Raise \$9000 - for a new GAGA Pit - don't tell the kids they will find out on April 1st  
\*\*\*\*Fifth Grade Girl Scouts are also working on their Bronze Award\*\*\* they are hoping to assist with the funds needed. Janelle vetted the company that will supply. It is the same company that produced and installed the court yard equipment. The event starts about 9am and ends around 2pm. NHS students volunteer for hours. The top seller will be awarded Ast. Principal for the day. There are also two target gift cards given, every \$20 raised gets their name in the drawing.
  - **School Dance/Basket Bash (K4-4th Grade):** (Emili & Rhonda) The move to the Middle School was a huge success. Keeping the 5th graders separate also was received well. There was chaos upon arrival but in true HCE fashion we did awesome! Set up



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aside the event was better laid out. The temperature was much better. We did two photo backdrops that seemed to help with the line in past years. The time being a half hour earlier than the prior years also was well received and seemed to have people stay for the entire event. Basket bash was well received BUT the number winners were not well heard. Total amount earned was..... There was a suggestion for multiple Concession lines. The use of "Line signs" or Cash vs venmo lines. We will also check in to use the cafetera area so it will not be in the dance floor area.

- **5th Grade School Dance** (Emili) This is on the calendar for 6-8 but will be updated to 6:30-8:30. Theme is VIP and will be held at HCE as a final farewell. Signups genius and flier will hit the Happenings after spring break giving three weeks.
- **Staff Appreciation Week** (Katrina & Jenny) - Budget is \$800 May 6-10th, Spread sheet has been created and the requests will start soon.
- **DARE Tailgate** (Emili, Andrea K & Katrina) Date has yet to be confirmed by Hales Corners Police Department. Andrea and Emili have been reaching out to local Experiences for a Raffle as well as different Restaurants/Vendors for food donations. Signup genius will be created once the date has been set and needs are more clear.
- **K5 & 1st Grade Concerts:** Information coming April 5th (Rhonda) - 24th and 25th VIP seat will be out around April 5th
- **Troop/Pack 598**
  - Update from Hannah Kennedy- Hannah was ill breif overview was presented by Emili -
  - The Pack had their Blue and Gold Celebration last Month. Rhonda along with over 100 Scouts and their Families to celebrate the Scouting Birthday. Two Scouts ended their Cub Scout journey and Crossed over to Boy Scouts starting their next chapter.
  - The Crossover Bridge was dedicated to Drew Groff in memory of "OUr friend in Scouting". The Pack also recognize the dedication of years of service by John Groff who was a leader with the pack for the last decade.
  - The boys also participated in Scouting for Food, a national campaign the Cub Scouts put out door hangers and the following week the Troop collected the food donations.
- **Ongoing Fundraisers:**
  - **Scripts:** The code is # A265B7ED766L6 - Raise Right app/website.
  - **Box Tops:** Don't forget to scan your receipts to the app after grocery shopping - Suggestion to Post the specials promotions for the FB page. Also a suggestion to compete per grade on who can raise the most - Emili to brainstorm how we can approach and present for the following year.
- **New Business:**
  - Robin's retirement - Loves to Garden- will be purchasing Home Depot Gift Card and delivering to her home.
  - 2 \$10 Gift Card Drawing - Andy Beck and Alicia Shaw - all attendees are entered into a drawing we use Scripts for these gift cards.
  - Kindness Visit - EES put on the visits/events and all the kids sing songs and learn about Kindness ending in the kids taking a kindness pledge. Rhonda to work with the Rep from their PTO on the contact and logistics of the program for next year.
  - Spirit wear swap - Donations and then use at back to school Emili Kozminske will followup with the Rep on the EES PTO to see it it can be a joint venture or how to execute for HCE
  - Supply box site is live. Close date for delivery to school ending June 16, after that you can still order for delivery for home. This is not a fundraiser. Will be in the Connect starting post Spring Break
- **Motion to Adjourn - 7:36pm**



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