



Hanawalt Elementary PTA  
PTA Meeting  
April 12, 2016 6:00-7:30 pm  
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## Minutes

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### Attendees:

Heather Welch Puri  
Rachel Ford  
Wendy VanHaaften  
Danielle Roecker  
Jill Delancey  
McM McManus  
Samantha Thorpe  
Kathy Marek  
Kelly Schofield  
Mike Bell  
Andi Franks  
Missy Wolnerman  
Andy McCoy  
Sarah McCoy  
Sarah Voss

1. Welcome
2. Introductions
3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

a. Motion to approve by McB McManus, seconded by Sam Thorpe

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#### 4. Treasure's Report

- a. Auction brought in \$6003.34; Coin Collection brought in a little over expected at \$1165.03. Corporate Matching of \$600.
- b. A Day in the Arts Expenses are still slowly coming in, currently at \$2456 of \$3000 budget
- c. The Library received \$750 for this year
- d. Will be depositing funds for Jr. Great Books
- e. Potential Budget item presented for grounds maintenance on the school corner of 56th for \$600 in Spring and \$600 in Fall. If approved, the overall budget for grounds maintenance will be discussed. This was approved to proceed.

#### 5. Committee Updates

- i. Book Swap – This was held at the beginning of April and went very well. Jill Delancey mentioned that the Scholastic Book Warehouse will be going on soon and Heather will be checking to see if we need more books for the older age groups.
- ii. Yearbook – Funds were collected for yearbook orders. Sam will be checking on the overall contract for yearbooks and Spring pictures.
- iii. A Day in the Arts – Held April 8<sup>th</sup> and was a huge success! The District School Website and the Des Moines Register both published articles about the event.
- iv. Spelling Challenge – April 18-22. Forms have gone out for students to gather pledges, they are due April 18th. Collection of money for pledges will be by May 6. Goal is to raise \$6000.
- v. Parent's Night Out – April 22, 7-10:30pm at Waveland Golf Course. Fun evening to network with other parents and community members. Invitations to purchase tickets have gone out and final day to purchase tickets will be April 20<sup>th</sup>. Need to finalize class auction items that will be sold. MC for the event will be Justin Franks. Looking for

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ways to get more individuals in the community to attend.

6. Ms. Schofield Updates

- a. May Newsletter will come out this week to make everyone aware of some important dates
- b. Hanawalt Night at Barnstormers on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. Our chorus will be singing the National Anthem.
- c. Staff is working on an updated Mission & Vision Statement for the school. More details will be in the newsletter.

7. New Business

- a. Earth Day – Would we be interested in planting another tree this year? Girl Scout groups are interested in a clean up day, possibility of a school clean up during recess.
- b. Officer's for 2016-2017
  - i. Nominations are Heather Welch Puri will be President and Jill Delancey will be President-Elect (President 2017-2018). McB McManus as Treasurer. Danielle Roecker as Secretary. Motion to approve nominations by Wendy VanHaften, seconded by Mike Bell.
  - ii. Executive Slate for 2016-2017 will be voted on at the May PTA Meeting.
  - iii. Planning in place for McB McManus to be President-Elect 2017-2018 (President 2018-2019).
  - iv. Family Buddy System – Proposing this idea to help new parents and families to the Hanawalt School. This would assign a person to new families to give them someone to ask questions without feeling like a burden. Idea to have a sign up for families that are willing to volunteer and families that are interested in having someone assigned. Sarah Voss volunteered to help with this initiative, if approved.
  - v. Kindergarten Picnic – Idea to expand this annual park/picnic gathering to the entire school to help introduce more families at the school.

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