



Hanawalt Elementary PTA
PTA Meeting
February 9, 2016 6:00-7:30 pm
Weitz Commons

Minutes

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Attendees:

Heather Welch Puri
Rachel Ford
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Andi Franks
Jill Delancey
Kathy Marek
Mike Bell
Sam Thorpe
Julie Hahn
McM McManus
Melissa Stalvey
Andy McCoy

1. Welcome
2. Introductions
3. Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - a. Motion to approve by McB McManus, seconded by Sam Thorpe
4. Treasure's Report
 - a. A couple corporate matches have come through. We have significant funds to raise the remaining part of this year, hopefully through the Auction and Spelling Challenge.

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5. Committee Updates

- i. Movie Night – Silent Auction for Movie Night has over 25 Teacher items and 13 event items sponsored by families. Idea to add a Wall of Money for donations at the Movie Night auction. Mrs. Marek will have the kids make fake donation/money for the wall.
- ii. Book Fair – Current balance is \$2,670. Teachers received a donation in the Fall, Spring donation will be to the Library. Will work with teachers to help identify students that would benefit from books at the Buy 1 Get 1 fair in the Spring.
- iii. Auction – A committee has been formed and is working on details for a Spring off-site Auction.
- iv. Spelling Challenge – Targetting an April date, preferably after Assessments (March 28-31). Looking at other options for fundraising challenges, as well. Hy-Vee Squat Challenge, Reading Challenge, etc. Suggestion to start the fundraiser in the Fall season, as well.
- v. Hanawalt HEAT – Parent’s for Great Iowa Schools is a new site to help advocate for our Iowa Schools. Please visit the site for information and to sign the petition at: <http://parentsforgreatiowaschools.com>
- vi. KidStriders – Students are making great progress with their running and a number of students have already qualified for the Grand Blue Mile. Indoor recess complicates the availability for KidStriders running inside. There is potentially a grant that we can apply for that is being pursued. Action item taken to see how we can update students/parents on how far the children have ran and how close they are to qualifying for Grand Blue Mile.
- vii. A Day in the Arts – doing great on supplies and ordering. This will be a very exciting event. Music, Movement, and Written Word will be added this year. Ziplocks are going

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home with students on Monday's for students to bring in their change on Fridays. The top 3 classrooms will get a reward for raising the most money. A sign up genius for volunteers will be going out around Monday February 15th.

- viii. Jr Great Books – Planning on having reading on Monday mornings again this year. Dean Grannes requested \$200 and will be purchasing new books – this funding was approved.
- ix. Newsletter – Articles are needed a little early for March to allow for Spring Break. An email will go out with a reminder.
- x. Miscellaneous Items – Mrs. Marek will be setting up Artsonia to allow families to look at their children's artwork and purchase items with the artwork. This is a great way to share the art and a small fundraiser.

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