Orange Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes - September 11th, 2024 *In Person and Zoom*

All welcomed by President Karen at 6:02pm. Reviewed emergency exits.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Secretary's report for May was posted on our Facebook page and hard copies were available at the meeting, reviewed and accepted. Motion passed. 1st Crystal Clarke, 2nd Amber Dupell

The Treasurer's report was posted on our Facebook page, reviewed and accepted. Motion passed. 1st Jessica Archambault, 2nd Crystal Clarke

Checking Account = \$10,953.63

PayPal Account = \$3,998.82

Savings Account = \$14,502.35

Total PTO Funds = \$29,454.80

A question was asked regarding money moving into other accounts, as funds are low. PTO explained that monies have been used for the Book Vending Machine being purchased, field trips having been paid, and the Back to School ice cream truck (which ended up being more expensive than originally anticipated).

FISHER HILL SCHOOL NEWS:

Students have started off the year great, learning their classroom rules and routines. They have started the new Appleseeds program in first grade. They have a new math program. There have been adjustments to lunch times, and learning that it's not play time all day long. Benchmarks will be starting soon. Students are moving classes for ELA and math and science and the new 5th graders are adjusting to it nicely. It's going to be an awesome year!

- 1. Please send back updated emergency forms and cards ASAP.
- 2. After school packets were sent home for grades 3-6, and the after school program begins on 9/23.
- 3. There will be a BMX Bullying assembly on 9/20. Hats will be allowed to be worn outside and up to the teacher about water bottles. The show is 45 minutes and there will be 2 shows, at 9am and 10am.
- 4. Picture Day will be on 9/27.
- 5. Teachers and Classrooms could use: soft tissues, white paper towels, hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes.
- 6. Remember to talk to your kiddos about not sharing food. No candy, no stuffed animals, and no toys at school.

FUNDS REQUESTS:

Request for BMX Bullying Assembly coming to Fisher Hill on September 20th for \$1,049.00 Motion made to accept this school assembly request. Motion passed.

1st Adrienne Berry, 2nd Crystal Clarke

Request for laminate film for Fisher Hill School - 4 rolls for \$200. Motion made to accept this school request.

Motion passed.

1st Adrienne Berry, 2nd Crystal Clarke

OLD BUSINESS:

The Book Vending Machine will be here tomorrow! Between 9-2. Students will receive a certificate from their class (being a helper, being inclusive, working hard, being a friend, having courage, self-control, etc.). We'll also get ideas from teachers. This can be on a Weekly or Monthly basis. Books are being purchased with our Scholastic Dollars.

Motion made to vote for one student per class per week (in the hopes that all students will be able to get one)

Motion passed.

1st Crystal Clarke, 2nd Amber Dupell

NEW BUSINESS:

Welcome New FH Staff! New Nurse, New Head Custodian, New Head of Food Service, New Paras, New Kindergarten teachers, and teachers with new positions as well.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

S.E.P.A.C. Meeting - October 9th at 6pm online

School Committee meeting - November 18th at 6pm at FH (with remote option)

Mahar School Committee in the library at 6pm - September 12th

Motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and voted by all at 6:32pm. 1st Adrienne Berry, 2nd Amber Duppel

Our next meeting is November 13th at 6pm.

Thank you for your support, we hope to see you then!