

HRMS VPO Meeting
Monday November 3, 2014

Attending:

Jarisa Gregor
Britt Mayer
Lauren Littleton
Jodi Olive
Jacy Griffin
Merrilee Kennedy
Brandi Waters

Principal's Report - Mike Benoit and Brian Wickens

Benoit Update:

- Thank you for Teacher dinners, great way for the teachers to connect, and was appreciated.
- Open house and 6th Grade orientation: Collecting feedback re: 6th Grade orientation and open house. School is considering making some changes to how the events are run. Possibly run 6th Grade orientation similar to how open house used to run, with kids and parents visiting each classroom for 5 minutes. Then open house would be open format as it was this year.
- Canned food drive starts 17th of November for FISH food bank

Wickens Update:

Kids chose the floor logo for the gym. Painting starts tomorrow, finish Thurs. Then seal it. Ahead of Dec 13th deadline. Changing the striping so outside stripe is blue, interior stripes green.

- Veterans Day Assembly Friday morning November 7th.
- Walk A Ridge tentatively scheduled for May 29th

Walk A Ridge Conversation:

Jodi to send out a note to the masses to look for another Walk A Ridge Chair.

Treasurer Report: Brandi Waters

- \$325 income for VPO forms. Insurance is \$220, so we have a bit left over.
- Student Store: Make anywhere from 50c-\$12 per day. \$112 for lunches, \$407 at dance with pizza and snacks to date. Income \$519 – spent \$402.44 (total gain \$116) in income for the student store.
- Thoughts from group to increase income: sell popcorn on We Care days and on Fridays. Host a movie night, add a dance.
- There is currently a \$150 Administrative budget for paper, envelopes, stamps etc. Last year did not spend it, but want to increase it to \$200 this year to buy more checks. First check order in 4 years, and they will last for a few years. \$172 total. Voted to raise the VPO admin budget to \$200
- Movie nights (like waiting for Superman) and open the Student Store

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Contact ASB to ask about what kind of snacks the kids would be interested in. (Jarisa?)
2. Ask an ASB rep to come give a report (Jarisa's daughter?)
3. Brandi will find out about the film that was shown at the Gig Harbor Film Festival. (Re-inventing the Super Hero)
4. Shari to send out schedule again and ask parents specifically about covering the student store at after school activities.

PC Report – See notes from October meeting

Book Fair – Brandi Waters

Book Fair Update - Set up will be on November 2nd, runs Dec 3-10th Open during school every day. Tuesday night the 9th will be open late for the band concert. Fall book fair does well because it is before Christmas. Hope to increase profits again this year, as we have for last 4 years.

Staff Appreciation Jarisa Gregor

Went well, plenty of people signed up to help. Moving forward will do Christmas treats and spring staff appreciation week. This year's staff appreciation week will be similar but would like to provide a special treat every day – such as massages, or nail care. Interested in partnering with local vendors to pull this off. Ideas appreciated.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. VPO to put the word out to local vendors who might be interested in providing a service.

New Fundraiser update: Merrilee Kennedy

Interested in running a wreath fundraiser starting ASAP.
\$20 wreaths, \$9 of this would pay for wholesale cost.
Run it through VPO
Order deadline November 26th
Hot Cocoa party for primetime class who raises the most money. (Hot cocoa, and Dipped marshmallows with candy canes.)

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Jarisa will create sign to place on a table at the band concert Tuesday Nov. 4th.
2. Lauren will decorate table and bring greens
3. Jodi will bring cookies and copy order forms (and provide envelope for completed forms.)
4. Mr. Wickens will be at the concert and will make the announcement.