

PLG Meeting Minutes

December 3rd 2013

President Christine Reddington

- Stand for the Pledge of Allegiance...fire exits noted
- Please review last month's minutes. Motion to accept minutes ... accepted by D.Brew & M.Sottile
- Hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving
- The new scheduling process for parent-teacher conferences was great
- 5th grade hangout went well and many thanks to Jenn Rainess
- Wishing everyone a Happy Holidays

Membership

- Lori Umbrino not present but it was reported that membership is at 56%

Fundraising Carolyn Zofchak

- Next fundraiser will be to purchase tickets for a Rutgers Basketball game
- We must purchase 100 tickets between 2 games....cost will be \$15
- Tickets will be available on the website for a Men's & Women's game
- Will use event brite to purchase tickets
- Everyone in favor....great idea Carolyn!
- January 19th Applebee's (Middletown) fundraiser 8am to 10am. Need to sell 100 tickets for this event to be held. Also will need volunteers to serve and seat people...cost of tickets \$10 per person
- Boardwalk March 14th...Party Perfect and DJ were hired. Pre-sale tickets will be available soon
- Let's Yo in Holmdel offering \$5 gift cards and \$1 of that purchase will go to IH

Corresponding Secretary Pam Hroblak

- Received a thank you note from Mr Woods class regarding the box top pizza party

Treasurer Nicole Salzano

- See TR report ... opening balance \$24,306.68 ending balance \$21,876.07
- Go Box reimbursement available
- If Mr. Kelly's class parents do not donate items for their Go Box the PLG will reimburse him for purchases
- There was a discussion of changing the process of stocking the classroom Go-Box
- Considering to do a inventory in May to ensure the Go-Box items are available at the start of the school year
- May ask for donations at BTSN or having teachers ask for donations rather than the class parent
- Difficulty getting parents to participate among 6th graders. Many classes do not have a completed email list
- November is usually when go box items expire...some classes have misplaced the go-boxes over the summer and a replacement can be costly
- Christine Reddington suggests head class parent lock Go-Box at the end of the school year
- Motion to accept TR ... accepted by Linda & Chimin

Mrs. Axelrod

- IH newsletter was sent out yesterday. Heidi (secretary) will be collecting information for the newsletter....any new news should be sent to the office so that it can be added to the monthly newsletter
- Student Council elections completed...see newsletter for those student who are holding a position
- Student council making daily announcements
- Winter Concerts coming soon and dates/times included in newsletter
- Beginner Band Concert 12/16 & Winter Concert 12/17
- Talent Show 2/6 7pm....try out dates to be announced. Trying to have the show at HHS to accommodate all
- D.Brew inquiring why 4th grade not included in shows. HCAA recommends children who participate in concerts be 5th & 6th graders
- Request made to change selection of children for school shows. That in past years some children are in multiple numbers and others who tried out were not included....children need to be encouraged

- Mrs. Mercandetti tries to balance the selection so that everyone gets a chance but if there are any concerns please send her an email
- Welcome new teacher Mrs. Wolkem who is an excellent candidate
- Wishing everyone a Happy & Healthy Holiday

Mr. Ferrarese

- Parent-teacher conferences went very well. Thank you to Caren MacConnell our Tech Support Liaison she developed the scheduling process
- Veterans Day celebration was a great day. Thank you Linda F for the wonderful breakfast.
- The father of Darlene Kiss was a veteran presenter and he wrote back to each child who sent him a letter.
- A request from the children was to have this event again next year. May ask the PLG to help find the Veterans presenters. 6th graders were especially thrilled with the presentations and many thanks to Mr. Ferrarese were made.
- Mr. Ferrarese wishing everyone a Happy Holidays

Mr. Woods

- Thank you for the box top pizza party

HFEE Michelle Sottile

- Boost in donations was noted...please make one if you haven't yet
- Ad journal will begin soon. Please email **contact@HFEE.org** if you are interested in placing a ad

ARISE

- No report

BOE Ana Vander Woude

- Assistant Superintendent M. Currie resigning effective Jan. 31st 2014...we will greatly miss her and regret her loss as she has made a great impact on our district
- We are looking for a new candidate and the position has been posted. The interviews will be early January and cross training will be provided by M. Currie. BOE's goal is to find the best person for the position

- Eco Night at HHS 12/13 6p to 10p...admission free. Students recommended this night and there will be many activities throughout the evening. Many different Eco Groups will be represented. Students in the Eco Group expedited the water filtration system installed at the HS
- Mrs. MacConnell gave a technology presentation to the BOE explaining her role to the district, staff & students. IH website has many links for students
- Concerns were discussed at the BOE meeting regarding the Holmdel Patch report of the NJ ask scores at IH. Statics maybe interpreted in many different ways. M.Currie to present NJ ask scores...statistics were not accurate. As a district compared to other districts we are doing well
- November BOE elections result: Ana Vander Woude President, Dennis Pavlik Vice President, Mike Sockel (all will hold office for the next 3 years)
- Swearing in ceremony will be held January 8th
- Happy Holidays to all

Career Day

- March 13th ...flyers going out soon

Cultural Assemblies

- Thanks to the Go-Green Committee a free assembly will be held on Jan 17th ... A Brain Show

Facebook Debbie Brew

- 111 likes ... facebook page shares the same info that can be found on the IH PLG Home Page

Games Coordinator

- Debbie Brew spoke to teachers and there is a need for indoor board games she will be organizing a game donation day soon
- Children cannot bring their own sports equipment to school

HCAA

- No report

Historian

- No report

Hospitality

- Thanks to Darlene & Chimin for today's breakfast

Holiday Shop Vicki Diblasi

- Dec 9th to 13th Need help with set up on the 9th
- Flyers going out this week...volunteers needed for any day sign up sheet going around
- Shopping will be held in the Music Room this year

Market Day Terri Ferguson

- Pick up your orders tomorrow
- Can order for your school but pick up at another school
- Lemon cookies are very good
- Can order gift cards by next Friday

Box Tops Jane Zysk

- All dessert parties delivered
- Next contest begins mid-January
- Received a check for \$1,380.60 for box tops
- Stop & Shop Bonus A+ earned \$6.91
- Escrip earned \$33.18 (reports and deposits are 3 months behind)
- Labels for education we have 7,332 points in our account. Post Cereal just joined so check your boxes. Soup season so check your Campbells & Progresso cans (great stock stuffers)
- Looking into Amazon for fundraising

Sunshine

- No report

Old Business

- Barnes & Noble Fundraiser tomorrow night...buy online or in person
- 12/3 to 12/9
- There will be a wrapping station and volunteers needed for ½ hour increments

- A IH latte will be featured
- Teachers can use educator discounts
- Scavenger hunt will be going on
- Please see flyer that is going around regarding Holmdel Helps

Next Meeting January 7th Tues 9:15am

Happy Holidays to all!

Meeting adjourned and motion accepted by Maria & Pam