Silver Hill Horace Mann Charter School

PTO Meeting Notes: November 14, 2017
Library, 6:00pm

Attendance: 16 participants

Call to order 6:05pm

1. Request for funding for a K-5 "Maker's Space" by Leslye Zylkuski & Charlene Richard

- Comments: Is there a connection of the "Makers Space" to what they are learning in the classroom? Answer: Yes, would like to work towards integrating it into the curriculum standards.
- Comment: Funding opportunities are available – name of an organization that can set up the 3-D printing. Also opportunity to partner with groups that already exist to help with rolling it out. Opportunities for older kids (high school) to maybe mentor younger kids, in this kind of space
- Priority of supplies? Donations? Will look at what exists. Donation of Legos!
- Need to consider space
- Suggestion: Meet with grade 3&5 and start/prioritize supplies with what would align with curriculum

Plan: Will get a priority list and forward to PTO and will look into building space.

2. Funding request/event share: 3rd grade – Kerry Alves

- New idea/events: Running Parent Facilitator Events that is grade oriented through Title 1 grant. Looking to bring in a couple different programs…Math (Jan 24th), Science, Dr Seuss night (March 1st?). Email will be sent out – try to be fun/game based and goal is for the parents to bring something to the home. Thoughts/ideas send to Ms Perez or Mrs Alves.
- Also: Hannah Dustin house - $300 for a speaker to come. Maybe in the Spring.
- Museum of printing in Haverhill?

Plan: 3rd grade will research, get details, and will fill out form for funding request.

2. Treasurer's update – Andrea Barman
   - Cherrydale fundraiser closed over goal.
   - Craft Fair profit $450
   - Update on lawyer bills? Mrs Shepherd feels strongly PTO should NOT be part of paying for legal fees "PTO is for the students" and there are other avenues to pursue for payment. We do not need those services anymore. The bill goes back to board of trustees so hold off on paying that through the PTO. There should no longer be any more bills

3. Santa Parade – Sunday 11/19
   - Starts at Hunking School
   - HELP decorate float Saturday at Silver Hill @10am
   - Float Sunday (need PTO point person) arrive a little early
   - Candy donations needed

4. Thanksgiving meals – PTO donating 10 meals
   - Parent shared that church willing to donate more meals and ingredients if needed

5. Event updates – Kerry Heusser
   a) Silver Graphics: Orders due soon, products should be in 12/18
   b) 5th grade banquet: Kerry will send a letter to all of the 5th grade parents to encourage a planning meeting
   c) Santa Shop starts Dec. 14 - Will do the sign-up genius for help
   d) Book Fair coming, parent conference on the 13th

6. Wicked Sticky Designs – NEW shirts and sweatshirts etc…
   - Instead of a mass order, will do a monthly order (orders open 1st through 15th of the month,) and order will arrive in 2 weeks.
   - Donate $2 of each sale back to the PTO
   - Future options – bumper sticker, signs
   - Will get samples displayed soon (maybe a holiday order?)

7. PTO needs a committee coordinator! – Job is to coordinate volunteers for events using sign-up genius

8. Thoughts on Polar Express Night?
- Table for next year

9. Bowling night – Friday, November 17th
- Friday 5:00 – 7:00
- *Looking for volunteers to check people in…*
- *PTO is also looking for donations of items for the bowling raffle basket "Something you are thankful for…" send in to the office*

Loose ends:
- Printing – Can PTO use the office printer? Yes
- Oldest and only list is now current, updated by Helen.

NEXT MEETING: DECEMBER 11TH

Adjourned 7:23pm