Silver Hill Elementary PTO Meeting

Monday November 8, 2021

Amy Nazzaro – President/Secretary

Call to order and introductions 6:02pm

Assistant Principal/Principal report

- School year is going well so far
- Looking forward to opening of school store. Stress toys, stickers etc will be sold. Tables will be set up for shopping during lunch recess.
- Silver Hill holiday drive is coming up to support families in need. PTO is willing to help.
- Field trips will be challenging to implement this year with Covid concerns still present. Hope is "back to normal" next September for things like field trips to resume.
- Ongoing bus issues
- Possibility of virtual enrichment for students this year. Funds such as Title 1 are available for student enrichments and programs; lack of staff available to run is the issue. Staff burnout is a concern.

Treasurer's Report

- \$11,600 beginning total
- Cookie dough fundraiser has ended; total amount raised was \$4,660
- Corn Maze fundraiser was a big success; total amount raised was \$1,156.
- Restaurant night at Chicken Connection raised \$229.66
- Lollipop fundraiser is ongoing, selling to students for \$1 each
- Ongoing Silver Hill Graphics Art Fundraiser. This fundraiser has been struggling to raise money. Concerns regarding the inconsistency in the quality of the children's artwork will be addressed and improved upon next year.
- Will be doing restaurant nights once per month. Would like to support local small businesses, and we are open to suggestions.
- \$240 raised for Little People of America on Dwarfism Awareness Day

Funding Requests

No staff present with funding requests.

Upcoming Events

- D'Empanadas Restaurant Night November 30, 2021
- Holiday Shoppe for students on December 14. Touchless shopping to maintain safety for all. Students will look at items available and choose what they want on an order form. Orders will be delivered to the students' classrooms. There will be \$150 extra funds available for students who may not have money to shop with, to be distributed at Administration's discretion.
- Silver Graphics fundraiser going from 11/2 through 11/22. Orders can be placed online with the option to ship to home or school. Paper forms will be available as well, with shipping coming to the school.

Important Announcements

- . PTO openings and opportunities. Jenny Greene has left the PTO as her child is attending a new school. That leaves us with one board member. If anyone is interested in helping out, please email silverhillpto@gmail.com. New board members will not be voted in until the end of this school year, but this is a good opportunity to get more involved and see if it's something you would like to pursue.
- •The school store is open in a limited capacity on Mondays.
- Any parent or guardians planning to do any type of volunteer work in the school need to have an upto-date Cori on file. Cori forms and licenses can be scanned and sent directly to the Human Resources Dept. for Haverhill Public Schools

. Open Discussion and Suggestions

- Suggestion made to have "spirit days" a few days a month and collect \$1 for participation to raise funds. Ideas- hat day, holiday colors, crazy hair day etc. Who would own planning these?
- . K. Hartwell gave an apparel update. Supply shortages are challenging but prices are reasonable. More info to come.
- . Fun Run discussed- thinking about dates in May that work around MCAS testing window and Teacher Appreciation. 2 day schedule?
- . Yearbook update from Jeni O'Connor vs. Barksdale Hockmeyer for vendor options. More info to come.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45pm

Next meeting on Monday December 13 at 6 pm via Zoom