

PTA Open Meeting Minutes
January 10, 2012 – Hugo Elementary Media Center
Call to Order 4:33 PM

Board Member & District Attendees: Teresa Dahlem-Principal, Jason Healy-Associate Principal, Kristi Ide-President, Mary Jo Rhude-Secretary, Kim Chapman-School Board Liaison

PTA Member Attendees: Liz Stamson, Angie Askin, Jen Durand, Christy Christensen, Nancy Thomas, Ryan Dupont, Sue Olsen, Cammy Mueller, Kati Ahrens, Mike Fish, Ruth Endthoff, Debbie Menzies, Joelle Sather, Deb Beloyed

Non-Members Attendees: Tina Trepanier, Katie Solem, Beth Olson, Nancy Higgs, Stacie Jensen, Carla Triggs, Nick Marty, Ann Cerney, Charlotte Dinhart, Danielle Cesare

Quorum was reached.

Introduction

Notes: PTA Meeting Sign-up sheet, Membership sign-up, Treasurer's report, November meeting minutes, Go Kids Day information.

Nick Marty: Report on technology updates at Hugo. K and 1st grade students at Hugo using IPAD cards to send a signal to the SMART Board in the classroom. Toontastic and Show Me apps have been very successful teaching/learning tools. 30 IPADs are currently available for use. These IPADs were purchased for a mobile lab from the district.

Secretary's Report: Mary Jo Rhude:
November 15, 2011 Meeting Minutes Motion to accept the Minutes – Jen Durand 1st, Sue Olsen 2nd. Motion passed.
Thank you cards received from Sue Mielke, Beth Solensky and Tina Trepanier for classroom book donations during winter book fair.
Thank you note was received from Lynn Jorris for care package given to her family for support during her husband's medical emergency.

Treasurer's Report: Kristi Ide
Treasurer's Report: Profit and Loss Report and Balance Report
Motion to approve Treasurer's Report: Kati Ahrens 1st, Jen Durand 2nd.

Principal's Report: Teresa Dahlem
Staff Development training: Literacy, cultural awareness, and Response to Intervention training for teachers will take place on January 23, 2012.

President's Report: Kristi Ide
PTA Board Elections -
Due to resignations over the fall, elections were held for the position of Vice-President. Nominations had been taken prior to meeting. Nominations were available at the meeting as well, but none were offered. Only 1 nominee was offered, so a voice vote was called for. Our 2011-2012 Board Officer will be: Vice President – Deb Beloyed.

Open Forum:

Ashland Productions: Hansel and Gretel will be performed. Tickets are for sale online now for \$10. Performances will be 2-16-12 at 7pm, 2-18 -12 at 7pm and 2-19 -12 at 2 pm. A link to buy tickets will be added to the school website.

Golden Gala: Cammy Mueller and Christy Christensen.

Receiving many donations via mail, totaling about \$2100 thus far for prizes. 18 tickets sold to date. Tickets were made available at the meeting. Golden Gala has a Mardi Gras theme and is an adult-only evening. MN Swarm tickets were donated, but game takes place prior to event. Winner of Swarm tickets will be selected from tickets sold thus far. Ticket information is available on the school website. Please send ticket form to Christy Christensen. Event will be held at Manitou Station from 5pm to 10pm. This event will benefit classroom technology. Idea for requesting specific items for donation was offered. Business solicitation list was circulated. Teachers will post information about Golden Gala on weekly communications and Go Kids Day will add the event to their website.

Spring Carnival: Deb Beloyed and Joelle Sather

March 31, 2012 from 11 am to 3 pm. A beach theme is planned. Wristbands will sell for \$10-15, final price for wristbands and additional tickets will be determined soon. Activities will include a jump house, obstacle course, 3 inflatables, games, boardwalk, crazy hair, Staffle and reptile guy. Food will be available for purchase. Suggestion was made to sell Staffle tickets the week before the carnival. Papa Murphy's may be used for pizza sales, which would include ovens and staffing. Bingo was offered as a game suggestion. Volunteers are needed for planning and during the event.

Box Top Contest: Mary Jo Rhude

Emy Harrington is organizing a Box Tops Contest. Box Tops would need to be submitted by February 28th. The class that turns in the most Box Tops wins an ice cream party. The manager at Festival is willing to donate ice cream and cones to our schools. Emy Harrington will make up a brochure to go home in Friday folders. The class who wins would have their ice cream party the Friday before spring break, which is March 15th. Emy Harrington is able to be there for the party and can coordinate a good time for the party with the teacher. Please trim and collect box tops in packs of 50 or tape to Box Top collection sheet of 10. Otherwise, please note quantity when submitting.

Conference Dinner for Teachers: Kati Ahrens

Food donations needed. More information to come. Charlotte Dinhart and Sue Olsen volunteered to organize at Hugo. Kati Ahrens will organize for Oneka. Request was made for a name and a recipe to be attached to donated food item.

Read-a-thon: Kristi Ide

A chair is needed for planning and organization. If interested, contact Beth Olson. Read-a-thon promotes reading and asks the student's family and friends to pledge to donate money for a student's reading goal. For example, the donor will pledge 25 cents for every minute read.

Yearbook: Kristi Ide

Erin Yoshida will be the PTA member working with Mikayla Dalton on organizing the yearbook. Photos are needed for collage pages. Please label each photo with student name and grade and send/upload to mikayla.dalton@gmail.com.

Presentation: Go Kids Day Ryan Dupont and Amy Cerney

Presented Hugo and Oneka Schools with a check for \$180, (\$405 year to date). Please 'like' Go Kids Day on Facebook. Go Kids Day is a community advocate trying to get people to shop local. They promote small businesses in the community. Go Kids Day gives 10% to schools. Businesses pay \$100 to be apart of the program. Coupons are available for local businesses online.

Go Max Card: Fundraising opportunity for schools. Local businesses provide offers and deals to cardholders. Cardholders receive new offers and deals throughout the school year. New offers are emailed to cardholder. How it works: The school purchases cards for a minimal price and sells card for \$20. All revenue from card sales go to school.

SchoolKidz Tool Kits: Stephanie Lohmann

Sample Kindergarten tool kit arrived and will be on display during kindergarten registration night January 19, 2012. Parents need to place order on April 26, 2012 during kindergarten gathering. Contact Stephanie Lohmann with any questions.

Motion to adjourn by Jen Durand 1st, Kati Ahrens 2nd. Meeting adjourned at 5:47 pm.

The Internet Safety Presentation by the Washington County Sheriff's Office was held immediately following the meeting. For more information on internet safety for children please go to: www.netsmartz.org or <http://www.common sense media.org>

Upcoming Dates and Events:

February 3, 2012: Golden Gala 5 pm- 10pm at Manitou Station, WBL

***** Next PTA Meeting: 6:30 pm on February 14, 2012 at Oneka Elementary *****

Respectfully submitted by Mary Jo Rhude.