HOPE SCHOOL PTSCA

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Hope PTSCA Meeting Minutes

October 7, 2014

Minutes taken by: Barb Bureau

Meeting began 3:56pm, Tues, October 7, 2014

In Attendance: Tahneta Stroh, Barb Bureau, Kristy Peterson, Sara Fortin, Diane Olthuis, Jason Skaaren, Michael Hanson (Skype), Sandy Barron, Julie Dykstra, Jeannine Jabaay, Jaycee, River, and Michael, (Student Reps. for beginning of the meeting).

Minutes from September meeting were reviewed and approved.

**Election of Officers:** Tahneta nominated Kristy as our new treasurer as we've been lacking for a while. Seconded, all in favor, none opposed.

Motion made to retain all standing officers - Tahneta as Pres, Jason as VP, Barb as Sec - all in favor, none opposed.

**Student's Report:**  River reported on the school store. He hopes to have it open by Nov 1, with grades 6-10 only helping and benefiting. He needs to buy stock. Tahneta will purchase items with the leftover money from last year. Store hours discussed - probably just 2-3x a week, during break, after school, etc.

Jaycee spoke about the ice rink (basketball court) for this winter. Jim Skogstad offered to help create/maintain it as weather permits.

Discussion on safety (helmets etc) and equipment - hockey stuff - can we get money for this? Jaycee will inventory our existing equip and make a list of what we need.

**Principal’s Report:** Michael Hansen on skype reported on the Hope School Action Plan Summary or School Development Plan. See attached report.

Discussion about tech night for parents, having a PTSCA Facebook page, etc. Michael said she'll have an amended plan to us soon.

**Teacher’s Report:** Patti heading a budget meeting this Thurs (Oct 9) at 6pm.

Kudos to soccer coach Sandy, to Jeannine for the newsletter and Shyla for running bake sales. Discussion about future Wash DC trip. Patti presented details about possibly hooking up with Kenai Middle School (and Close-Up) for their March 8-13 trip for grades 5 and up. Cost:

$3149/person. $99 deposit due soon (price includes airfare, food, lodging etc). Discussion about cost, feasibility etc. Most agreed we should wait until next year and start raising money now. Or maybe do this on our own, without Close-up and do it cheaper? Kristy volunteered to head up a Wash DC trip planning committee.

Gymnastics - going well. Dates changed for future lessons - now Oct 9, 16, Nov 6.

Mind-a-mazes competition in Soldotna on Sat On Oct 21, Mrs. T is taking middles and HS to Soldotna middle school and college fair. Gallup Poll information sheet handed out to everyone. Kids will do this unless parents opt out.

Bullying discussion in K-5 classroom this morning - went well. Trooper here for safety talk today, Open Gym now Tuesdays 6-7:30pm PE - finishing up soccer, will start basketball a bit later.

**Treasurer's Report**: Kristy and Tahneta working on it. Since we were without one last year, there's much to do. Currently we have $1958.

Money from Basics (Pam Skogstad) discussed. Pam offered to purchase PE equip with the $250 and $500 checks coming to us. Membership drive discussed; put a membership application in with the next school newsletter and send out to all friends, family, community, etc.

**Fundraising:** Discussion about fall Halloween carnival (Oct 25), chili dinner (Oct 9), future dinners etc.

**Miscellaneous:** Julia discussed her ideas for school kitchen (making it a commercial kitchen, culinary classes, hot lunch program, farm to table program, 4H, gardening, chickens, and cheese making).

Meeting adjourned – 5:45pm