# Holland Township PTO Minutes of Monthly Meeting May 16, 2018

**CALL TO ORDER:** Alyssa Kries, President, called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm.

## **OFFICERS REPORTS**

**President's Report:** Alyssa Kries thanked everyone for coming. Alyssa Kries thanked the HTEA for the desserts that were provided and for all of the work they do throughout the year.

**Secretary's Report:** Alyssa Kries opened the floor for discussion of the April 2018 minutes. No discussion. Kerry Favereaux made a motion to accept the April 2018 minutes. Robin Smith seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: Alyssa Kries opened the floor for discussion of the April 2018 Treasurer and Budget Reports. Alyssa Kries reported the Elementary Enrichment budget line went over by \$53.00 Deenie Totten made a motion to approve spending \$53 to cover the overage for Elementary Enrichment. Jennifer Randazzo seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. Samantha Deets made a motion to accept the April 2018 Treasurer and Budget Reports. Heather Bukofsy seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved. Laura Strangfeld made a motion to write a check to the Board of Education in the amount of \$2,000 for the 8th grade dance. Katie Jenkins seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

**SchoolKidz Supplies:** Alyssa Kries reported that SchoolKidz Supply Kits seem to be a hit with both the teachers and the parents.

Nominating Committee: Alyssa Kries opened the floor for nominations for the Vice President, Treasurer, Chair and Co-Chair positions. Deenie Totten advised no new nominations. Alyssa Kries closed the floor for nominations. A vote was taken for: Michelle Young for Vice President, Heather Williams for Treasurer, Sandy Bate for Assemblies Chair, Dawn Godown for Book Fair Chair, Heather Williams for Bulletin Board Chair, Heather Bukofsky for Family Events Chair, Kara Cobb for Fundraising Chair, Christina Piluso for Help from Home Chair, Jodi Schluter for Hospitality Chair, Laura Strangfeld for Staff Appreciation Chair, Krista Bentzinger for Assemblies Co-Chair, Dana Stem, Katie Jenkins, Samantha Deets & Heather Willams for Book Fair Co-Chair, Robin Smith for Bulletin Board Co-Chair, Jennifer Randazzo-Makarick and Stephanie Glacken for Fundraising Co-Chair and Debbie Hirst for Staff Appreciation Co-

Chair and all were unanimously approved. Alyssa Kries congratulated everyone on their election, thanked them for volunteering and welcomed them to the positions.

**Budget Committee:** Alyssa Kries reported that the budget meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 1st at 9:30 am. If anyone else wants to join there is still room. Alyssa Kries reported that years ago the budget used to have a teachers' supplies line with a budget of \$50 per teacher. This line has since been deleted and Alyssa Kries wanted to know how members felt about offering this again. Discussion followed regarding the purchase of gift cards, making SchoolKidz supply boxes for teachers or ordering from Scholastic order form. No motions made. This topic will be tabled until Treasurer has had more experience handling the constant flow of receipts in and reimbursements out.

**Scholarship Committee:** Alyssa Kries reported that the meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 24th. The winners will remain confidential until the awards are given out at Del Val's Senior Awards Night. A 4 point scaling system will be used to determine the award winners.

**Field Day Committee:** Alyssa Kries reported that Field Day is scheduled for June 7th with a rain date of June 11th. Kindergarten through 2nd grade Field Day will take place from 9:00 am to 11:30 am. 3rd through 5th grade Field Day will be held from 12:15 to 2:25 in the afternoon. Alyssa Kries asked for discussion regarding a Field Day snack. Discussion followed and many felt that the Italian ice was too hard and kids ran out of time to eat it. It was decided to leave it up to the room parents to provide a healthy fresh fruit snack for Kindergarten through 2nd grade. 3rd through 5th grade will be coming right from lunch and do not need a snack.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Assemblies Committee:** Nothing to report

**Book Fair:** Nothing to report

**Bulletin Board:** Nothing to report

Family Events: Nothing to report

**Fundraising Committee:** Alyssa Kries reported that we will be doing one more gift card sale and order forms will be sent home soon.

**Help from Home Committee:** Christina Piluso reported the box tops contest ends June 1st.

**Hospitality Committee:** Nothing to report.

**Membership Committee:** Nothing to report.

**Staff Appreciation Committee:** Alyssa Kries thanked everyone who signed up on the sign up genius- within 24 hours of sending out the email request, it was filled. Laura Strangfeld would like the budget increased. Discussion followed. The budget went over by \$279.41 and most of the money was spent on the hot lunch for the teachers. Kerry Favereaux made a motion to increase the Staff Appreciation budget to \$1,200. Heather Bukofsky seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

**Website Committee:** Alyssa Kries reported that it is up to date and the agenda is now posted on the website as well.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Alyssa Kries thanked Stephanie Beddiges for everything that she has done for the PTO. Alyssa Kries wished Stephanie Beddiges luck with her new business Pilates Moves.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

- 1. Kara Cobb thanked Stephanie Beddiges for all her hard work and the behind the scenes work she did with the mail and bank runs.
- 2. Mrs. Croasdale reported on behalf of the HTEA:
  - a. PARCC testing ends tomorrow, May 17th.
  - b. Kindergarten Orientation is next week.
  - c. Tournament of Champions is next week.
  - d. June 5th is Wellness Day for 6th, 7th and 8th grade.
  - e. Next Wednesday is an early dismissal
  - f. Thanked the PTO for everything throughout the year and Staff Appreciation week on behalf of the HTEA.
- 3. Casey Bickhardt spoke as the Board of Ed Liaison looking for feedback from PTO members regarding the teachers doing a swap of items (that they no longer use in their classrooms) with other teachers in the school. Discussion followed. Parents in attendance don't mind. Deb Croasdale commented that she likes the

- swap and she has acquired a ball chair that someone else did not need but she did.
- 4. Casey Bickhardt advised everyone that the Board of Ed does like to hear feedback and encourages anyone who has questions to please reach out to the board. Casey Bickhardt advised that if a question is asked that she does not know the answer to she will find out the answer and relay the information to us.
- 5. Kara Cobb thanked Casey Bickhardt for her comments and encouraged people to attend the board meetings. Kara Cobb stated that she feels that the board should be buying the teachers supplies.
- 6. Laurie Croasdale reported the Girl Scouts is hosting Eyes of the Wild this Friday, May 18th at 7:00 pm.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:58pm. Next meeting will be on June 13, 2018 at 7:00 pm.