

**Holland Township PTO  
Minutes of Monthly Meeting  
February 21, 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Alyssa Kries, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**OFFICERS REPORTS**

**President's Report:** Alyssa Kries reported that a PTO mailbox has been installed in the front office vestibule for more convenient PTO correspondence.

**Secretary's Report:** Alyssa Kries opened the floor for discussion of the January 2019 minutes. No discussion. A motion to accept the January 2019 minutes was made. A seconded motion was made, and it was unanimously approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Alyssa Kries opened the floor for discussion of the January 2019 Financial Activity and Performance to Budget Reports. No discussion. A motion to accept the January 2019 Financial Activity and Performance to Budget Reports was made. The motion was seconded, and it was unanimously approved.

**Field Day:** Alyssa Kries reported that the Field Day committee met on Monday, February 4<sup>th</sup>. Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade Field Day will be conducted in the same format as previous years and held on Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. Grades Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, and 2<sup>nd</sup> will participate in the morning from 9:00-11:30 and then grades 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> will participate in the afternoon from 12:15-2:25. The PTO will also host a Middle School Field Day (grades 6-8) this year which will be held on Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. Middle School Field Day will take place after lunch from 12:45-3:15. Snacks (possibly nut free pretzels and Italian ice) will be provided by the PTO for all classes this year. The Field Day Committee will reach out to local stores for donations of these items. Also instead of paying a DJ for both Field Days, the tech department at school will set up speakers and a "kid friendly" music play list for both Field Days. Alyssa Kries also reported that Tomasina McGuire and Michelle Young met with both art teachers regarding a Field Day T-Shirt Design Contest and both teachers were very receptive. More details will be discussed at the Field Day Committee's next meeting, which will take place on Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm at the Riegel Ridge Community Center.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance:** Alyssa Kries reported that our PTO insurance representative responded and our PTO insurance will cover the 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance. A motion was made for the PTO to plan, organize, and host the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance. The motion was

seconded and unanimously approved. Alyssa Kries also reported that the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance Committee met on Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup>. The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance will be held at Razberry's in Kingwood Township the evening of graduation (Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup> from 8:00-11:00 pm). The 8<sup>th</sup> grade DVD Presentation will take place Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. The next 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup>.

**SchoolKidz:** Alyssa Kries reported that the SchoolKidz Kits have increased approximately 11%-12% in price and explained that we can either run SchoolKidz strictly as a service like last year or try it as a fundraiser for this year. Discussion followed and it was decided that we will research whether or not there is a fee associated with holding SchoolKidz as a fundraiser, as well as find out more information regarding the cost increase of the kits in order to make it a fundraiser. We will report on these findings at our next meeting and then determine whether to hold SchoolKidz as a service or as a fundraiser.

**Nominating Committee:** Alyssa Kries opened this committee and encouraged anyone interested to get involved and reach out to our PTO board.

**Budget Committee:** Alyssa Kries opened this committee and asked all interested parties to email our PTO board via our gmail email address.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Assemblies Committee:** No updates.

**Book Fair:** Michelle Young reported that we will be using Scholastic for our Spring Book Fair. Set up for the Book Fair will take place on April 4<sup>th</sup>, Teacher Preview on April 5<sup>th</sup>, and the Book Fair will run the week of April 8<sup>th</sup> through April 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Bulletin Board:** Michelle Young reported that the bulletin board was just redone in early February with quotes about kindness and a "Sprinkle Kindness like Confetti" theme.

**Family Events:** No updates.

### **Fundraising Committee:**

- a. Alyssa Kries reported that the Spring Great Lakes Gift Card Sale will run March 11<sup>th</sup> – March 29<sup>th</sup> so that gift card orders will be in on time for Easter (April 21<sup>st</sup>) and Staff Appreciation Week (the first week in May).

- b. Alyssa Kries reported that our Moms' Paint Night Out will take place on Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at Riegel Ridge Community Center. Doors will open at 6:30 pm. All those interested may sign up via the Paint Party Studio link as soon as the link is activated in March.

**Help from Home Committee:**

- a. Michelle Young reported that ShopRite is offering a Box Tops promotion right now. "ShopRite for My School" registered users can earn bonus BoxTops simply by scanning their Price Plus Cards when purchasing participating products. It is quick and easy to sign up and such a great way to earn money for our school.
- b. Alyssa Kries reported that we just received a check for \$128.10 from Amazon Smile.

**Hospitality Committee:** Michelle Young reported that the Hospitality Committee's next event will be the Spelling Bee on Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup> (snow date: March 11<sup>th</sup>). PTO will provide water, balloons and gift card prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. Also Jodi Schluter is asking for 1-2 volunteers to help hand out waters the day of the Spelling Bee. If interested in helping, please contact Jodi.

**Membership Committee:** No updates.

**Staff Appreciation Committee:** Alyssa Kries reported that Staff Appreciation Week will be held the week of May 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> this year.

**Website Committee:** All updated.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Ann Harvey shared that this past summer she and her family completely renovated the Learning Grove. She explained that it had become incredibly overgrown and virtually unusable. They removed truckloads of debris, refinished all of the tables and seating, power washed the outdoor walls and concrete, and more. Ann suggested the PTO host a Spring Clean Up Day in order to maintain the Learning Grove, Butterfly Garden, and other outdoor areas. Discussion followed and a potential date of April 13<sup>th</sup> (with a rain date of April 14<sup>th</sup>) was suggested for the event, pending administrative approval. The PTO Board will meet with administration to discuss the event.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Alyssa Kries reported on behalf of Mrs. Deb Croasdale:

1. The Drama Club will present its spring play on February 28<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM in the auditorium.
2. Read Across America Week is all next week. There are different activities for K-4 and 5-8 including dress up days, so check with your child for information in their grade level. Elementary is posted in the virtual backpack from last week, but middle school is not. Mrs. Croasdale will ask them to post it for this week.
3. Spring Concert-Grades 1 and 2- March 14<sup>th</sup>
4. March 18<sup>th</sup> -No school for students due to teacher in-service.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 7:52 pm. Next meeting will be on March 20, 2019 at 7:00 pm.