

Holland Township PTO
Minutes of Monthly Meeting
October 20, 2021

Location: Zoom

CALL TO ORDER: Casey Bickhardt, Holland Township PTO President, called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

OFFICERS REPORTS

President's Report: Casey Bickhardt thanked everyone for joining us via Zoom and noted the large turn out. She expressed happiness about seeing so many involved PTO members.

Casey reported that the Halloween Parties were still set to happen Friday, October 29, 2021. She reminded us that Room Parents would be welcomed inside the building to host parties and to walk with the classrooms they are assigned Room Parent for in the parade. Room Parents were given information on dropping off supplies for the party ahead of time on or before Wednesday, October 27, 2021, at the school. Misty Lapham stated she would email all of the head room parents to give the details.

Casey went on to speak about the BOE Meet and Greet Event hosted by the PTO. She stated that the event would be held, in person only, at the Riegel Ridge on Wednesday, October 27, 2021 beginning at 6pm sharp.

Secretary's Report: Misty Lapham, Holland PTO Secretary, stated there was nothing new to report. Casey asked if there were any questions or concerns about the September Meeting Minutes. There were none. Casey asked for a motion to approve the September Meeting Minutes. A motion was made, seconded and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Tomasina McGuire, Holland PTO Treasurer, stated there was nothing new to report. Casey asked if there were any questions or concerns regarding the Treasurer's Reports. There were none. Casey asked for a motion

to approve the Treasurer's Reports. A motion was made, seconded and approved.

Vice President's Report: Amy Gercie, Holland PTO Vice President, reported on the PTO Committees updates. There were no new updates on the following committees: Book Fair, Bulletin Board, Staff Appreciation and Fundraising.

Assemblies: Amy reported that Misty Lapham, Assemblies Chairperson, had a meeting with HTS administration and school counselors about Assemblies. During the meeting it was decided that Assemblies would be held in the Spring to avoid covid and weather related issues that could result in assemblies cancelations.

Family Events: Amy reported that we have a new chairperson, Dana Hawley, for Family Events. Casey thanked Dana for stepping up to volunteer her time.

Hospitality: Amy reported that we have a new chairperson, Heather Stanley, for the Hospitality Committee. Casey thanked Heather for volunteering her time to be a chairperson. Amy reported that the Hospitality Committee would be providing light refreshments for the BOE Meet and Greet Event.

Help From Home: Amy reported that we are in need of a Help From Home chairperson and directed anyone that is interested to email the Holland Township PTO.

Spirit Store: Jennifer Randazzo-Makarick was in attendance and reported that the Spirit Store was open to fall sports but that it wasn't organized so it was not open to everyone. Casey asked Jen to open the Spirit Store on November 1, 2021 and leave it open for 2 weeks, in order to hopefully get delivery before the holidays. Casey asked if anyone had suggestions, comments or concerns. There was extensive conversation on adding new items to the Spirit Store such as sweatshirt blankets, women's cut tees, winter beanie hats, tie dye options, and fitted hats. Everyone agreed these items would be great for the Spirit Store Fundraiser and help bring in a profit for the PTO.

New Business: Casey moved along to New Business. Casey asked Alyssa Kries, 6th Grade Liaison, to give us a report on the Pizza Party for the winner of the PTO Membership Contest. Alyssa reported that the winners of the contest was Mrs. Brychta's 6th Grade Homeroom. Alyssa stated that the kids were all so excited and happy to win a pizza party. They had a wonderful time and were thankful to the PTO for the prize of the contest. Casey thanked Alyssa for bringing the pizza party to the kids.

Public Comments: Casey asked if there were any public comments. Mrs Wardell, Holland Township School Principal, thanked the PTO for everything that the PTO does for our school and for our students.

Mrs. Debbie Croasdale thanked the PTO from the students of Mrs. Brychta's class for the pizza party. She then thanked the PTO ahead of the Kona Ice Truck coming to make up for the previous year's 3rd Grade class being quarantined during (last year's) field day when Kona Ice came.

Mrs. Croasdale then spoke about the Halloween Party, stating that the kids were all so excited. She also stated there will be a virtual costume contest. She stated parents would be permitted to watch the parade.

Mrs Croasdale gave a calendar reminder that Friday, October 22, 2021 will be an early dismissal. She spoke about November Parent-Teacher Conferences, stating that details would be going out on Monday. She stated that there would be an in person and zoom option available. She also stated that November 1-3 would be early dismissal days (for parent-teacher conferences) and that there would be no school on November 4-5.

Mrs. Croasdale made a statement in regards to HTA negotiations. She stated that the HTA has been very cooperative and have always put the students first.

A member asked if the Kona Ice Truck was only coming for the current 4th Grade. Casey stated that was correct. Misty stated that they were coming because the entire grade was quarantined last year when Kona Ice came for field day.

Casey thanked everyone for joining us and for taking part in great conversations.

Adjournment: Casey closed the meeting at 7:35pm.