3/10/14 PTO Cultural Enrichment & Field Trip Committee

Meeting Minutes

Present: Jean Dwyer, Kevin Dwyer, Vilma Vesmo, Mia Shervington, Heather Amabile, Caryl Bruno, Jen Carbaugh, Marisa O'Leary

Caryl Bruno's Report:

Programs and submitted and booked through March 10, 2016:

- Uriah Hill: The Bierkos- Holidays Around the World, The Bierkos, Nature of Things-\$4,172
- Woodside: Barton Orchard, Dave Klotzle- Nature Walk & The Bierkos- \$5,540
- Oakside: Dave Klotzle- Nature Walk- \$1,100
- Hillcrest- Science Barge & Beczak, Box Out Bullying- \$6,725
- PKMS-0
- PHS: Enhrenreich, Hahn, Dashnaw, Wigenroth, Ibrahim Saddiq- Hip Hop/Word Art-\$5,400
- PTO General Meeting: Bali Dali Productions- Osebo's Drum- \$1,150

Total Program Costs: \$24, 087

17% surcharge: \$4,094.79

Total Expenditures: \$28,181.79

**Entire \$27,311.68 credit has been exhausted

Pending Programs, not yet submitted to or approved by BOCES:

- Woodside- Bubblemania \$995, Dave Klotzle- pond study
- PKMS- UN Field Trip \$254
- PHS- Division St. Grill Cooking Class \$1200

Member Reports:

• Marisa & Caryl met with building principals to clarify the process of booking programs through BOCES coser. Dr. Fine has requested that all BOCES Arts in Ed/Environmental Science program/trip requests should be submitted to him and Robin Zimmerman in the business office at least 6 weeks prior to program/trip for approval. Once approved, request will be forwarded to Caryl to submit to BOCES, and any other funding

accompanying funding request (i.e. transportation, meals) will be sent to Marisa to present to PTO for approval.

- May 18th Osebo's Drum performance at general PTO meeting- need to be sure that the sound system, with 2 mics, is set up- encourage as many families to attend as possible
- PHS- Kevin has been following up with Dr. Margie Daniels to be sure Summit Academy is included in enrichment/field trip planning- she expressed an interest in taking students to Broadway but tickets were \$79/per student- asked if Madam Toussaint could be booked through BOCES- it can be; Marisa will send him BOCES Arts in ED Environmental Science forms to forward to Dr. Daniels
- Woodside- Jean will follow up with Raquel Lucas on the status of the kindergarten field trip to the Mid-Hudson Children's Museum; parent of a Woodside student will be coming into the school on March 16th to perform Irish music for the kids; Logrea dance group may also be performing at school (Raquel Lucas is working on this); The Bierkos will perform their Golden Rule show on March 29th
- Oakside- The Bierkos scheduled to perform their Women's History Celebration on March 29th (obviously some confusion took place with their record keeping as they are scheduled to perform at Woodside on the same day- Mia with follow up with Scott Bierko); Mia will look into Bash the Trash event for Earth Day program
- Hillcrest- looking for volunteers to help from 3 5:00 pm with the Community School Initiative- Time to Kiln, Street Beatz Dance School & a local photographer have all agreed to help
- 2016-2017 Author/Illustrator Events- Marisa advised of the following points of contact for each school:

-Uriah Hill: Director

-Woodside: librarian

-Oakside: librarian

-Hillcrest: Principal- Jackie Liburd

-PKMS: librarian

-PHS: English Department, Mr. Nube

Vilma spoke to librarian in Garrison and was given names of local authors/illustrators, as well as informed her they host a Dead Author's event; also suggested that we host a reada-thon and schedule for April- which is National Poetry month

**Mia suggested looking into Jason Edwards, a local inter-active storyteller- she will reach out to him

******Vilma provided information on Fahnstock over-night stay/evening environmental programs

Action Items:

• Marisa advised that a PKMS middle school parent approached her about having an enrichment presentation to help address the high incidence of cutting among the PKMS girls- Marisa spoke to Mr. Lewis about this & he felt a more effective strategy would be to bring in a positive self-image program to Hillcrest since the majority of girls involved are in 6th grade. Caryl will research if this type of a program can be booked through BOCES. Heather will research what school presentation/assembly programs that address positive coping mechanisms to stress exist

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm. Next meeting will take place on April 21st at 6:30 pm at PKMS library.