

11/18/15 Peekskill CSD PTO General Meeting

Minutes

Present: Joao Faustino, Vernita Mosley, Ha Wallace, Rosa Quichpi, Barbie Altorfer, Colleen Hardiman, Ramon Fernandez, Sam Ali, Jamal Lewis, Maxine Lawrence, Trish O’Sullivan, Mia Shervington, Ann Narcisse, Liz Phillips, Lindsey Killett, Isabel Pipolo, Denise Lopez, Yolanda Guardino, Marisa O’Leary, Dr. Fine

**Attendees list includes names of individuals who signed in

Presidents Report:

Holiday Concerts will be taking place on:

- Uriah Hill- 12/15 @ 9:00 am & 1:00 pm
- Woodside- 12/9 (kindergarten) & 12/10 (1st grade) @ 9:30 am
- Oakside- 12/17 (2nd grade) & 12/18 (3rd grade) @ 1:30 pm
- Hillcrest- 12/10 @ 7:00 pm @ PKMS
- PKMS- 12/22 @ 7:00 pm
- High School- 12/17 @ 7:00 pm

Woodside book fair is this week- Family Night will take place on Thursday (11/19) from 5:30 – 7:30 pm. Oakside’s took place two weeks ago. Hillcrest’s will take place the week of December 7th. The date for Uriah Hill’s has yet to be determined- possibly in the Spring during Parent-Teacher conferences.

Halloween dance at PKMS made a net profit of \$1100.

Treasurer’s Report:

| Ordinary Income/Expense | |
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| Income | |
| Barton Orcharge field trip 1st | 2,845.00 |
| Book fair sale | 5,221.26 |
| Contribution from individual PT | 10,000.00 |
| Start of school donations | 1,538.00 |
| T Shirt sale | 32.00 |
| Trident and hat sale Highschool | 110.00 |
| Yankee candle sale | 14,171.95 |
| Total Income | 33,918.21 |

| Expense | | |
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| | BJ membership | 40.00 |
| | Cash register | 16.82 |
| | Field trip busing - Uriah Hill | 1,255.78 |
| | Halloween dance | 162.96 |
| | Other Types of Expenses | |
| | Insurance - Liability, D and O | 1,329.00 |
| | Total Other Types of Expenses | 1,329.00 |
| | Paper costs | 139.53 |
| | Photocopy costs | 343.60 |
| | Summer reading celebration | 165.41 |
| | Total Expense | 3,453.10 |
| | Net Ordinary Income | 30,465.11 |
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| | Halloween dance (not included) | 1100 |
| Box tops submitted (not included in the above income) | | 648 |

Committee Reports:

Cultural Enrichment & Field Trips:

- Surveys have been sent out to all buildings soliciting staff input on programs and/or trips they would like to see offered, and feedback on programs/trips currently offered
- Compiling list of fees currently charge at each building for programs/trips
- Continuing research on local enrichment programs that can be accessed for little to no charge
- Researching new curriculum-aligned programs to bring into schools

Communications:

- Website is being translated into Spanish
- One parent needed from each elementary building to deliver flyers (about once or twice a month)
- Volunteers needed to reach out to parents in older grades at sporting events & performances
- Bilingual volunteers needed to contact Spanish- speaking parents (by phone, text & in-person)

Fundraising:

- Yankee Candle Profit: \$5564
 - Woodside: \$2586
 - Oakside: \$1449
 - Hillcrest: \$1378
 - Uriah Hill: still ongoing
 - **only 2 students from PKMS participated, and none from the high school
- Halloween Dance Profit: \$1100 (259 students attended, 5 parent volunteers & 4 teachers)
- Selling ads in the Holiday Concert programs this month (programs will be district-wide)
- Selling candy grams @ PKMS 12/16, 12/17, 12/18 from 10:45 am – 1:00 pm- need 3 volunteers to help
- Harlem Wizards Game- tentative date May 20th, first 100 tickets will be sold at \$10, after that \$15, VIP seating & ticket upgrades will also be offered, school assemblies will take place at each school during lunch periods
- A+ Stop & Shop Rewards- register your card & get free money for our schools!
- Box Tops- send in a Ziploc bag with your child's name & teacher (we won't be using the collection sheets any longer)
- Shop for the holidays through our Amazon Smile link: [Smile.Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com/smile) and search for Woodside Uriah Hill PTO

Volunteering:

- Volunteers needed during school hours:
 - Woodside book fair (this week)
 - Selling candy grams at PKMS (week of 12/14)
 - Assisting with holiday concerts (12/9 – 12/22)
- Volunteers needed evenings/weekends:
 - Selling ads in the winter concert programs (this month)
 - Hillcrest evening book fair (12/7)
- Visit our Volunteering page online for info, applications, protocols, and a list of opportunities at Volunteers.PeekskillPTO.org
- Staff: please submit volunteering requests a minimum of two weeks in advance

Superintendent's Report:

- Author Charles Potter will be presenting at the December (12/9) PTO meeting. Both parents & students are encouraged to attend as financial aid for college will be discussed. Mr. Potter's presentation is a collaborative effort between the school district, PTO & NAACP.
- District is focusing on enhancing advertising to the greater community, in an effort to increase attendance at performing arts events
- Willy Wonka Jr. will be performed at PKMS on February 5th & 6th, Hairspray will be performed at High School

- Building leaders currently reading How To Create A Culture of Achievement
- Administrative cabinet, principals & building leaders working on best instructional practices, alignment, programming (i.e. Summit Academy & Freshman Academy) and making a sustainable model
- Building Condition Survey- 5 year plan- architect looking at all buildings
- Men's Night at PKMS on Monday, 11/23 @ 7:30 pm (for grades 6,7,8)
- Last Friday was the Hall of Fame Dinner
- 2 Coach of the Year Awards given
- This Saturday there is a Turkey Trot @ 8:00 am at the Peekskill gazebo- turkeys will be donated to those in need.
- H.S. student Chelsea Ogindo signed letter of intent for SUNY Binghamton
- Tomorrow night (11/19) is a mandatory parents & student athletic night for winter sports
- PEF is finalizing numbers from the 5k run to determine net profit

Hudson River HealthCare Presentation:

Joao Faustino presented on HRHCare's ability to assist with health insurance enrollment through the NYS Marketplace. Please see the attached power point presentation.