**Hillsborough Elementary School**

**Home and School Association**

**November 2024 Meeting**

**11/13/2024**

**Meghann Valeo, HSA President, opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.**

**Welcome & Membership**

There were 9 people at the meeting. 160 members and will continue to encourage folks to join. Have not yet accounted for staff who join via volunteer time.

**Treasurer's Report**

One pager reviewed

**Fundraising & Restaurant Nights**

One more week of Chess Club - great feedback on this pilot. We are looking at an 8 week winter session and hopefully a spring session.

December restaurant night is Tropical smoothie, which has been closed. Zaida trying to follow up with the owner. Discussed having a pizza place for December if needed.

**Class Parent Committee**

The winter party will move to 12/20 after the BOE decision to close school on 12/23. Shannon & Lisa will communicate to class parents this week to start to identify any gaps. Parties will primarily be held in the afternoon - 1:15 arrival for 1:30 party. AM kindergarten party time will be communicated to us as timing for the sing along needs to be confirmed first. We will communicate that snacks/supplies (non perishable) can be dropped off on 12/18.

**Book Fair**

Fall fair was a great success - thank you to all who participated! Over $9200 in sales, ~ 120 books donated to classroom libraries. Profit was taken with a mix of cash ($750) and Scholastic dollars (just over $3000). Committee will be looking at dates for spring fair, but expecting timing between PICTO and spring break.

**STEM Fair**

STEM Fair planning has begun. The event will be Fri Jan 24th and we are looking at a pirate theme. Taking into account lessons learned from last year, we are planning to cut back on some of the interactive stations and to do more advertising on the bridge breaking contest. We plan to include food at the event. Andrew & Lisa would love to have some shadows on this committee in preparation for next year. Science assembly is tentatively planned for Dec 13th.

**4th Grade Day**

Planning is moving along nicely. Shirt design is complete and we'll be providing teachers with the shirt form (names/sizes) this week. Requested to send a communication regarding Hummingbird art night on Nov 22nd. Will also include in morning announcements.

**Teacher Grants**

Checks for grants 19-22 (form numbers) were delivered at the meeting.

**School Beautification**

Liz will be sending out a sign up for fall clean up. Need to cut back some of the plants before winter.

**Teacher Updates**

Mrs. Hopson expressed thanks on behalf of the staff for the generous donations to classroom libraries during the fall book fair. She highlighted some of the great resources that we receive from Scholastic regarding newsletters, authors, etc

**Principal Updates**

75th anniversary committee has been formed. There was a discussion around redistricting and more information will be shared as it's available.

**Meeting was closed at 8:11 pm. The next meeting will be on January 8, 2024. December meeting will be Executive Board only.**

Minutes Submitted by: Lisa Chiang, HSA Recording Secretary