
PTO Board Meeting

Tuesday, December 8, 2020

Attendees

Ali Kearney - Co-President
Heather Mason - Co-President
Melissa Thunberg - Co-Vice-President
Molly Regan - Co-Vice-President
Lindsay Ducharme - Co-Treasurer
Gia Stackpole - Co-Treasurer
Colleen Reyes - Secretary
Lizzie Dobkowski - City Wide PTO
Cat Warren - Communications
Anna Michalski - Technology Director
Julie Flowers - A&E

Agenda

Welcome and Introductions

Principal's Report

Fundraising Updates

- Charleston Wrap Update
- Holiday Photo Shoot/Shutterfly
- Spirit Wear

Hannah Helping the Community

- Giving Board
- Teacher Snacks

Items to discuss

- Photo Contest
- Snow People
- Teacher Wellness

Board Update

- Room Parents and Motivational Monday
- BevEd Appeal
- Citywide
- 4th grade Committee

What We Need Help With!

- CPA (401c3)
- Open Forum

Notes

Principal's Report

Office Reminders: Please be sure to call the office any day that your child will be absent for any reason, whether your child is hybrid or remote.

December/January Remote Learning: Our last in person day of learning before the break will be Friday, December 18th. Students will attend classes remotely on December 21, 22 and 23. Following the break we will remain in remote instruction for the week of Jan 4-8th. Remote learning days are mandatory and absences will be recorded.

Return to In Person Learning: If your child is an RLA Student and you are considering a return to school in March, please contact me by January 29th. Return to in person learning is based on grade and classroom availability per COVID spacing restrictions.

Donations and Gift Giving: In an effort to minimize handling packages at school we ask that all holiday donations are made in the form of gift cards. This allows for easy pick up and/or mailing and allows parents the flexibility to decide how the gift card is used. Please send all donations to the office no later than December 15th.

Spirit Day: December 18th is a Spirit Day! Students are encouraged to wear their spirit gear of red and white, students may bring a small donation(\$1.00), to contribute to the grade 4 efforts to support the Beverly Senior Center in fighting food insecurity this holiday season.

Outdoor Learning:

- Our students and teachers continue to enjoy all the time they are spending in our outdoor classrooms-even in the chilly weather!
- Please be sure your child is equipt each day with a jacket, hat and gloves in the cold winter months ahead! Teachers will notify you if snow pants are required. We will be going out as often as possible.

Twitter: This year we continue to strengthen our presence on Twitter with lots of fun and informative messages from our school community! You can find us @Hannahschooners.

Fundraising Updates

- Charleston Wrap - raised \$2374 which is about 75-80% of what we usually raise but is a successful fundraiser with the year being the way it is
- Holiday Photo Shoot and Shutterfly - great feedback from families. Photographer was very responsive and great with families. 20 people participated and raised \$1400. We may be able to do it again in the Spring. Shutterfly should be communicated earlier next year. Also we should be more clear that all families can use this to give money back to Hannah.
- Spirit Wear - 33 families purchased items. \$800 was raised from this fundraiser. Distribution will be determined once items have been completed. Contactless pickup will be provided at school and deliveries will be made if needed.

Hannah Helping Community


- Giving Board (Susan Powers)- all items directly benefit Hannah families. A few more gift cards are needed from Kohls and grocery store, but if you can donate from any store that would be greatly appreciated.
- Teacher Room Snacks - we are still looking for donations for teachers. Things that are individually wrapped are best.

Upcoming Community Events

- Photo Contest - Amanda Lennon heading this up. The contest will have a different focus each month. The theme will change each month, and kids can upload their photo to a Padlet wall. The link is https://padlet.com/ahlennon/2vn9l0zaz3g4ejtr?fbclid=IwAR3j6hhp7dcXtYpkqG8o10lpd-o9qbm3t3GXH6nCZ3fe2HENT7_JbwiqBY
- Snowpeople Recycle Challenge - PTO will sponsor the lawn stakes. Kids will be challenged to make a snow person out of recycled goods. Leah Jones will handle the dissemination of information and Cat Warren will help with the writing of the emails.
- Teacher Wellness - CHeryl is gathering information with Mrs. Montecvecchi.

Board Updates

- Teacher gift and should we do Motivational Mondays - Room parents have been notified of the regulations surrounding gift giving. Britta will coordinate Motivational Mondays again. Mrs. Montecvecchi will work with her ILT to come with themes.
- BevEd Annual Appeal - Lisl will email an update
- Citywide Update and New student t-shirt - Dr Morgan presented his work and his history. He will be doing an equity audit and is part of the leadership team for Beverly Public Schools. He is open to coming to a PTO sponsored event if we are interested.
- 4th grade committee update - We are still looking for volunteers. Work is underway and we are excited to be offering a virtual Talent show this year.



What We Need Help With

- Establishing a non-profit - Ali reached out to Todd Ames and he suggested reaching out to Jerry Parisella.

Upcoming Event Dates and Reminders:

- Please remember to take a moment to check out our website at www.hannahpto.org.
- PTO Meeting minutes are recorded and available on the Hannah PTO website. Tell your friends.
- Questions/Comments – please direct them to ptohannahschool@gmail.com.
- Next meeting January 5th 6:30-8:00pm

Action Items

- Amanda - she will help solve the water filtration system problem. She will welcome all information to help her get the right people on the job.