

# AEPTO Meeting Minutes

January 26, 2015

## In Attendance (17):

*Executive Officers:* Jeff Turk, Debbie Thomas, Laura Ash

*Committee Chairs:* Errin Thompson, Mandy Sanders, Jessica Ackerman, Teresa Parks

*Luce Road ECLC Representatives:* Heidi Barnaby, Kristie Falor

*Pine Avenue Elementary Representatives:* Kim June, Heidi Kolb

*Hillcrest Elementary Representatives:* Donni Fornusek,

*Parents:* Lynzee Brenner, Ashlie Steinl, Jennifer DeLeon, Jason DeLeon, Branden Sanders

## I Call To Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm.

The minutes from the November 17 meeting were distributed and reviewed. A correction was made to delete the last line under Art Reach. Teresa Parks moved to accept the minutes as corrected, seconded by Jennifer DeLeon. Motion approved unanimously.

## II Officer Reports

***President's Report*** (presented by Jeff Turk): Jeff thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. No additional report.

***Treasurer's Report*** (presented by Laura Ash): Laura presented the current budget report. She noted that the Box Tops check had been received as well as two checks for the Shoe Box Recycling program. We have received close to \$150 for the recycled shoes. She has also received \$1,800 for the Fun Run already from corporate sponsors.

## III Fundraising and Committee Chair Reports

***Fundraising Chair:*** (presented by Teresa Parks)—Teresa reported that the Luce Road fundraising sale produced \$5,065.40 in profit. The spring sales started today with Club's Choice. It ends February 9 with delivery and pickup on March 5. Wayne Beason then gave a presentation for Fund Raising Company of America, Inc. They are located in Troy, MI. He handed out a sheet of all that they offer, including an "on location" consultant to unload the truck and sort orders by classroom on the day of delivery. The company takes customer service very seriously. If we chose to go with this company, it would include signing a two-year contract and would include 1 bounce house for fall, and 3 bounce houses with 12 Carnival games for the spring. There will also be a presentation for another potential fund-raising company at the February meeting.

**Non-Sales Fundraising Chair** (presented by Mandy Sanders): The end of December submission was \$167.90 from Luce, \$61.50 from Hillcrest, and \$115.50 from Pine. From March through November last year, the total was \$4,350. In January, there is a bonus offer available and the submission needs to be done by mid-February.

**Art Reach/Carnival Chair** : (presented by Errin Thompson) **Art Reach:** This program is going very well. She is putting together the list of active docents and sending out thank-you notes. She introduced Lynzee Brenner who will be taking over the Art Reach program next year. **Carnival:** The Carnival is scheduled for Friday, May 1. Frankenmuth Fundraising will be providing three bounce houses (Wizard Castle, ABC Obstacle Course, Jurassic Park) and 12 Carnival games. Errin is still checking about prizes. She may need to buy them. Our contract with Frankenmuth Fundraising is to sell through the fall of 2015 and that contract would include a Carnival in the spring of 2016.

**Book Fair Chair.** (presented by Jessica Ackerman): There will be two book fairs in March. The fair at Luce Road school will be held March 2-6 from 8:15 a.m.-2:45 p.m. with additional Monday evening hours and a half-day on Friday. The fair at Pine Avenue will be held March 17-20 with extended hours (4-7 p.m.) during Parent-Teacher conferences. Jessica could still use a couple of volunteers for the events. She is especially looking for retired teachers!

**New Business:** (presented by Jeff Turk)—

1. Removal of RIF line item from Hillcrest budget:--Tabled until next budget meeting.
2. Carnival in 2015—The Carnival is scheduled for May 1, 2015. See above report under “Art Reach/Carnival” for report.
3. Alternatives to Frankenmuth Fundraising—Our contract with the company is to sell their products through the fall of 2015. Fund Raising Company of America, Inc. presented this month and another company will be presenting in February.
4. Fun Run update—The Fun Run is set for April 28, with a rain date of April 30. Luce Rd would be in the morning and Hillcrest in the afternoon. It would be a 40 minute run. The question to consider was: What incentives/rewards could be provided for teachers/classrooms? Ideas included: a pedometer or wristband for the students, maybe \$100 outdoor picnic lunch with teacher/principal, silly-string principal or make into an ice cream sundae, be principal for a day or PE teacher for a day. Ideas for classroom rewards included extra recess, PJ day, teacher dress up like... day, in-class movie and popcorn. Ideas for grade-level incentives included a tumbling session at DuHadway Dance Studio. The prize for the top class of each grade could be a visit from Chemistry Professor, Jeff Turk. 800 pledge packets have been ordered. The packets explain how to use the online system and website.
5. Loons/Lugnuts for 2015—Jeff received a flyer inviting students to a game at 10:35

a.m. on Wednesday, May 13. Jeff will follow up with more information about a night or Saturday game.

6. Child care for Fundraisers—No report.

**School Reports:**

Luce Rd– Academic Support Night will be held on Thursday. There will be no school for students on February 16. The 100<sup>th</sup> day of school is currently set for February 12.

Hillcrest– No report.

Pine Ave.–The fourth grade students will be touring the capital in Lansing and the visiting the Historical Museum on February 17, 19, 20.

**Announcements:** None

*The next PTO meeting will be on Monday, February 23 at 6:30 p.m. Location: Hillcrest Elementary.*

**IX Meeting Adjourned**

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.