

Hanaford PTG Meeting Minutes

November 16, 2016

12 in attendance including PTG board members: Jen Madden, Lisa Pomeroy, Beth Cauley, Emily DiIuro, Elizabeth Nuti, Laura Gessman, Rachel Stoklosa, and Amy Dator

- **Approval of Minutes from Oct. PTG meeting**

- **Update on District from Dr. Mercurio**

- o PARC

- Uptick in opt outs last year which negatively affected district's ratings
 - Test is much better aligned with classroom work and expectations than previously
 - Working on getting additional curriculum support to increase math scores for Hanaford and Eldridge

- o No Child Left Behind Act is being replaced with Every Student Succeeds Act and RIDE is preparing its plan to meet new federal standards. A link will be added to the district website for the RIDE transition plan once it is available.

- o Ad Hoc Homework Committee has met once so far and split up into groups to look into best practice research and district level study. Next meeting will be in Dec.

- **Principal's Update**

- o Assemblies-Flex Your Face and Hampstead Theater

- o PBIS-Trying to instill rule following by using common language of Respect, Responsibility, and Readiness. A continuation of what has been done at Meadowbrook. New PBIS posters will be on display soon.

- o Teachers' Lounge- Cabinets are on order. Waiting on samples to pick the new countertop. Installation will most likely take place over Winter Recess.

- o Flipping of the order of lunch and recess has gone well. Guarantees that the students get a consistent amount of time for recess.

- **President's Report**

- o New Recycling Center card is available in the office.

- o A screening of Screenagers is coming to Cole probably in March with a discussion to take place afterwards.

- o Scholastic Reading Program for the library is up for renewal. Discussed the merit and cost difference of a 1yr (\$1,140) vs a 3 yr (\$2,850) renewal. Took a vote and unanimously approved a 3 yr renewal.

- o PTG will be providing cookies for the staff the day of the Holiday Staff luncheon. Rachel Stoklosa agreed to head it up.

- **Treasurer's Report**

- o Boo Bash was a successful fundraiser

- o We are about \$400 shy of our Family Donation goal. Discussed sending out a reminder letter in Jan.

- o Schoolkidz sent us an unexpected \$100

- o Removed the expense allocated to the Directory because with the use of Konstella there is no need to pay for printing.

- o EGPTG required the annual check for taxes and insurance which was a little less than last year.

- **Miscellaneous Business**

- o Apparel- Orders are in and apparel should be ready in early Dec. There were fewer orders this year and we may not receive the same price discount as a result.

- o Volunteer Update- Need a new Talent Show Chair. Mrs. Lee offered to co-Chair.

- o Discussed various options for Boys Event including Rock Spot, Launch, Bowling, and Yawgoo

- o Bike Rack- there are additional caps for the end of the bike racks in the PTG closet.

- o Holiday Shop- It was discussed if we should be offering shopping scholarships like we do for the book fair. Decided to discuss with Mrs. Cauley. In the event that there is a need, it would be up to the teachers to inform Mrs. Cauley. Shopping is scheduled for Dec. 12th, 13th, and 14th. Clean up will be on the 16th.

- **Next Meeting: Jan 18th 9am**