



## NHS PTO Meeting Minutes—May 3, 2018

All board members are present. Attendance is taken via sign-in sheet.

### **Budget Report- Jen**

- We received one fee payment.
- One grant request was approved.
- Emails were sent with agenda and link to pay PTO fee. Few have read the email and no one has clicked on the fee link. In the email Howard had listed upcoming events and expenses so families can see how the fees are being used.
- We have good financial standing going into next year.
- Motion to accept the budget was accepted and passed.

### **Grant Requests :**

- Literacy program has a book challenge and is asking for \$150 for prizes to be awarded to those who read 10 books and \$140 to serve breakfast.
- School online news paper is asking for \$30 to buy munchkins to increase their publicity.
- Total number grant request \$310
- Motion was accepted and grants were approved.
- Conversation and request to think about a grant to possibly buy a 70 inch TV, mounting hardware and apple tv for conference room. Conference room is utilized by students, teachers and parents. The grant request is for approximately \$1500. The PTO suggested looking into a package up to \$1000.
- Jen Greenberg, is in charge of ordering agendas. The budget approved for them is up to \$1000. At the beginning of the school year the homeroom teachers announce to students that they can obtain one from the front office. It is up to the students to make the initiative to get one.
- Suggestion was made for next year for the freshman class to have the agendas in the homeroom.

### **PTO business Howard**

- Remembrance committee designed to help families deal with loss or grief by sending flowers or gift-card will be run by one individual, Jinda. The standard need for the family \$250 to be approved by the board. If the amount is larger, it will be brought to a vote.
- Howard approached the Mariner to share the success of Quiz night and publicly thank all the businesses for their fundraiser and sponsorship contributions.
- “If they had known” presentation was very well attended by students and parents. This was a documentary about young student who died from mixing alcohol with prescription drugs. The story was told by students/ friends of the individual who had died.

### **Beautification: Cara Davis**

- \$150 donated in gift cards and cash. Soil and flowers were also donated. \$250 was granted from the PTO and used to buy mulch. Lots more clean up needs to be done, such as cleaning lot A and B and

make a garden bed by the Norwell sign. Need more volunteers. Goal for the future is to improve the Clipper complex. Involve Art department to use outdoor art work.

- Mr. Fish brainstorming ideas how to get more students involved in the school beautification project.
- All the funds for this year's budget have been used. However, to finish the project, an additional \$100 was approved.
- Motion was accepted and approved for additional beautification funds.
  
- The PTO donated gift card to Cara as a form of appreciation for the hard work she has done with this project.

#### **Teacher Lunch: Jinda**

- Abby and Jinda met and came up with the theme for the lunch "Around the World".
- There will be baskets and trivia questions about different countries. Sign ups went out and more help is always welcomed.
- The lunch will be held on May 17th.

#### **Events: Brenda**

- Prom night is held on May 11th. Ticket sales are going well. Today is the last day to buy the tickets. Mr. Fish will send email reminder to parents to be at the gym at 5:30.
- Some freshman and sophomore students agreed to help in setting up chairs and balloons for the prom.
- June 19th staff appreciations. Howard will be in charge of getting 6 gift cards for the custodians and Christine Smith will get 8 plants for the guidance counselors and secretaries.
- Senior week after Memorial Day weekend. Tuesday CPR, Wednesday class trip to Boston, Thursday senior banquet, Friday walk through elementary school as well as rehearsal and awards. Saturday graduation at 5:30.
- Senior breakfast sign up genius was very successful.
- Information will be mailed to parents of what to expect during senior week.
- Alumni families would like to stay connected to the school. Suggestion is to go on the [NPS.org](http://NPS.org) website to see the events.
- The balloons, helium is ordered for graduation day. Christine Joseph and Carolyn will be sending sign up genius for volunteers. Both ladies agreed to stay on and coordinate this event for the next 3 years.
- Parents Coalition is disbanded. There is a new group of parents who are planning an after graduation night party.

#### **Principal's Report: Mr. Fish**

- Mr. Fish thanked Cara for the wonderful job with beautification.
- AP exams start next week
- Senior families will be receiving a letter explaining what to expect for senior week.
- Letter will be sent to lower classmen explaining dates for exams. There are going to be 2 exams a day, 1.50 hours each. The students will be dismissed after.
- Information on underclassmen awards will be in the letter
- Norwell Education Foundation will host the teacher recognition night on May 15th at 7 PM at the NHS. Two teachers that will be recognized at that evening, Jess Johnson will be the recipient of the award from the high school.

**Open Discussion:**

**Howard congratulated all the senior parents for their students' achievements.**

**Next PTO meeting is held on June 7th at 9:15 AM.**

**Prom Night: May 11th at 6:30 PM.**

**Teacher Recognition Night May 15th at 7 PM.**

**Town Meeting: May 7th at 7:00 PM at Middle School**

**Town Election: May 19th**