

OCTOBER 8, 2021 MINUTES

Hardy Elementary PTO

Date | time 10/8/2021 9:00am | *Meeting called to order by* Hardy PTO

In Attendance via Zoom Meeting

Mrs. Testani, Stephanie Junkulis-Pierce, Bev Moyer, Jamie Hawkins, Karen Sinowetski, Sunshine Wilhite, Tammy Fornari, Terry Viazanko, Amanda Forth, Chris Moore, Ashley Heintzelman, Shelby Driver, Holi Lee, Minjung Byun, Natalie Diffin

Principal's Report – Mrs. Emily Testani

- Curriculum Night was broken into 2 sessions over 2 separate days this year. Powerpoint presentations were offered for those unable to attend; in-person attendance was 61%
 - Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held Tues, Oct. 19 and Thurs, Oct. 21, both are ½ days for students
 - Each day will offer a virtual or in-person option for parents; schedule meeting via SignUp Genius
 - PTO will provide snacks during for staff during their break
 - Yearbook - Picture Day is Tues, Oct 12 (retakes Nov 22). Families can submit photos to HardyYearbookPictures@gmail.com throughout the year. The yearbook will be compiled by School Pictures.
 - Fundraiser - over \$30,000 raised in a week! Students are excited to participate and have a countdown to the school-wide Color Run
 - What makes a HUSKY? Students have been learning each week how to be helpful, understanding, etc. Teachers have nominated 45 students who've demonstrated these attributes and were awarded tokens for the book vending machine.
 - Hattie, therapy dog, has been spending time in the school while still in training. A wishlist will be created for items needed for Hattie, to be fulfilled by parents and/or PTO funds.
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President's Report – Stephanie Junkulis-Pierce

- Welcome to Sunshine Wilhite, the new PTO Fundraiser
 - Upcoming Events
 - Color Run - Fri, Oct 15
 - Conferences - Tues, Oct 19 & Thurs, Oct 21
 - Halloween Hoopla - Thurs, Oct 28
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Vice President's Report – Bev Moyer

- Color Run Updates - 66% of students are registered, 60 students have raised over \$150 each
 - Additional school wide incentives have been added for breaking the original \$20,000 goal!
 - \$30,000 - students earned a Dress Backwards Day & music during lunch
 - \$35,000 - a mystery incentive
 - Reminders will be sent home Thurs, Oct 14 regarding the event
 - T-shirts will be provided by the PTO on Fri, Oct 15; students will need to wear clothes that can have powder on them and bring a plastic bag for the colored shirt
 - Spectators will be allowed outside only, socially distanced, masks optional

- Volunteers will need to report to the basketball court at 11:30am to sign-in; clean-up volunteers will report at 3:00pm on Fri, Oct 15
- Students will have 30 minutes by grade level to take a pre-photo, do warm-up exercises, walk or run the school track, take a post-photo, blow remaining color off clothes, then return to class for a snack
- PTO Communications are sent out weekly in the Weds newsletter, in addition to reminders posted to Facebook, Twitter, and Remind

Treasurer's Report – Jamie Hawkins

- Income: Quarterly give back programs received from Kroger and Busch's, Newsletter sponsor payment, and Color Run T-shirt sponsorship, company donation matching give-back program
- Expenses: Book vending machine tokens (300), Color Run expenses, Automatic Stapler (copy room), Voice amplifiers for 15 teachers, Classroom supplies for teachers (\$200/teacher is allocated per school year)
- Expected Income: Color Run fundraiser, Hardy Halloween Hoopla
- Expected Expenses: Color Run incentives and event, Hardy Halloween Hoopla, request for new walkie talkies possible
- PTO Account Balance:
 - 9/1/21 - \$21,394.69
 - 10/1/21 - \$19,415.34

Secretary's Report – Karen Sinowetski

- September meeting minutes passed and posted
- Next month's meeting will be Thurs. Nov 11th (TBD - via Zoom or at Hardy)

Fundraising Report – Sunshine Wilhite

- Little Caesar's Pizza kit fundraiser going on now through year end; more communication to come
- Hardy Halloween Hoopla will be Thur. Oct 28 from 5:30-7:30pm outside of school
 - Students will trick-or-treat along the school track outside
 - Food truck vendors will be setup near the back bus loop
 - Book fair will be held in the cafeteria
 - A volunteer sign-up to help with set-up will be coming soon

CHEERS – Michelle Felts

- Volunteer opportunities are available; email CHEERSHardy@gmail.com to sign up
 - Copy Crew - volunteers needed during either the morning (9:30-11:30am) or afternoon (1:30-3:45pm) sessions to help stay make copies for staff
 - Color Run - all volunteer positions have been filled for Fri. Oct. 15th
 - Hardy Hoopla - volunteers needed on Thurs. Oct. 28th for outdoor event
- Volunteers must fill out the following link prior to event at school:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpOLSDz9LJOc7GaOGF2HIAd-snomTt_vCTtfff7yhVvxOgaT_gPtA/vi ewform

New Business

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Upcoming Events

- Picture Day - Oct. 12th
- Hardy Color Run - Oct. 15th
- Parent-Teacher Conferences - Oct, 19th & 21st
- Hardy Hoopla - Oct. 28th

Next Meeting

- Thursday, November 11, 2021 @ 7am (location TBD - via Zoom or at Hardy)