Valentine Hills PTO
Meeting Minutes
April 13th, 2026
6:30pm

Location: Valentine Hills Library

Virtual Option : Google Meet: https://meet.google.com/hhq-wghn-gts

1. Call to Order/Introductions:
    - Land acknowledgement
    - PTO Board Introductions
    - Parent/Guardian/Teacher introductions

2. Principal/Associate Principal & Updates
    - April is poetry month!
    - Standardized testing continues for the next several weeks
    - Chalkboard Capers was successful! 23 Valentine Hills staff participated!
    - Culture night is on 4/16! Join us! Every kid in attendance will get a book (Title 1 funds)
    - New format to welcome first grade families in a different this year. Will coordinate tours, kids will be given a backpack and Valentine memorabilia, playground play date, can see classrooms, letter with info will be coming out soon- date 5/28
    - Will have open house 8/31
    - Will paint 11 Native American flags (and information about the flags) on wall in Valentine Hills school (in accordance to our land acknowledgement); will be a dedication ceremony
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3. School Board Update – liaison: Tascha Just.
    - All contracts are settled
    - Lots of attendance in the last school board meeting about the changes in the musical program at Highview Middle School, students spoke, music teachers attended; change is coming from a poll/study that was done 3 years ago.

4. Treasurer Update/Budget for Next Year
    - Would like to do a second grant request (short window)- this year only! $5000 – approved during meeting. Deadline for requests is 5/1.

Summary for the Period		
Starting Total		40,413.46
Income	1047.15	
Expenses	(10,137.26)	(9,090.11)
Ending Total		31,323.35

Budget Proposed Changes:

- Increase staff appreciation budget for food
- Increase in grant requests
- TBD Staff allotment- based on numbers next year

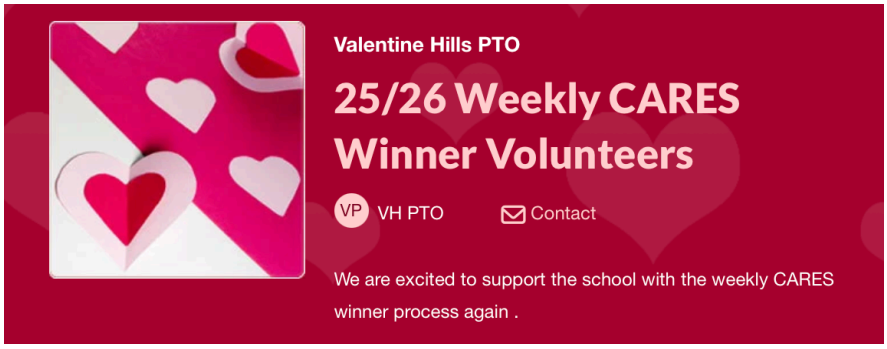
5. Wish List
    - All staff have been invited to add any classroom needs to a PTO hosted Amazon wishlist. This will be a fluid list that they can add to at anytime throughout the school year as needs arise. The PTO will distribute to regularly for any families interested in purchasing any items. There is no obligation
    - **Don't forget to include staff's name and your name in gift message!!**

6. Call for Volunteers/Upcoming Events:
    - Staff Appreciation Week 5/4-5/8
    - Carnival 5/15
    - 5th Grade Celebration 6/3



How you can help:

- Raffle donations
    - Prizes
    - Buy from our wish list!
- Volunteer! Sign up coming next week



Time commitment:
Fridays 9:30am-11am

- Looking for a volunteer on 4/24, 5/1 & 5/29

7. Open Discussion/Announcements/Questions

8. Next meeting on May 11th!
    - Speaker - Jason Knighton-Johnson on Equity Committee update and Thinking MAPS
    - Approve next year's budget
    - Review 26-27 dates
    - Vote for any candidates

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