



Hillcrest PTO Agenda

February 10, 2025 - Hillcrest Library

Call to Order 6:30pm

Sybilla Buhr

Attendees: Kris Wells, Sybilla Buhr, Kelly Hayes, Molly McGregor, Tiffany Evans, Maddie Silk, Andrew and Bridget Buckman, Carri and Matt Holewinski, Kira Hanson, Amber and Richard Wilson, Jen Bernard, Kimberly Stauber, Andrew LaFave, Casey Juszczyk, Katie Blaney.

Review and Approve January 2025 Minutes

Molly McGregor

Available for review on the PTO website. Motion to approve: Kelly, second Tiffany.

Principal's Report Mrs. Wells

- Family Engagement Night
 - Occurred 2/6/25-went well. Parent presentation well attended, follow up book club scheduled 3/10/25 4:30 prior to next PTO meeting. Will review book: *The Anxious Generation: How the Great Rewiring of Childhood is Causing an Epidemic of Mental Illness* by Jonathan Haidt.
- Safety Week
 - Occurred last week. Age appropriate discussion had with students related to what to do during emergency situations.
- Summer School
 - With construction completed on in the Hillcrest parking lot, the school will be a summer school drop off site for the upcoming summer school session.
- Upcoming Events
 - No School 2/21 and 2/24 due to professional development day
 - March Hillcrest will participate in a food drive to collect donations for the Pulaski Community Pantry
 - Spring Parent Teacher Conferences will be after spring break this year.

Officers' Report

President's Report

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- Website: Updates/revisions being made.
- New Sponsors
 - Joe DeNoble Water & Sewer donated \$1000
 - Caliber Equipment Sales, Inc. donated \$500
 - The Village Companies donated \$250

Vice President's Report

Kelly Hayes/Tiffany Evans

Committees

Big Vehicle/Career Day - Bob Zemple

- 2nd Annual: Wednesday May 13th AM. Large vehicles and workers will share with students how the vehicles work and the jobs they entail.

Blizzard Game - Sarah Zemple

- April 6th 3:05, ticket ordering will be forthcoming

Box Tops for Education - Carri Holewinski

- Looking to do a classroom incentive, PTO will sponsor reward for a competition to be determined
- Reminder to sign up for monthly challenge

Family Fun Night - Sybilla Buhr

- Ticket Punch pass \$5/ pass for 20 games. Will offer pre-sale and tickets at the event. Rewards from Knowledge a thon will be provided.
- Basket Raffle tickets will remain the same \$1/ticket

- Games: Set
- Raffle items still being collected
- Silent Auction: will be online this year, site will be published in advance of the event. Items will be displayed at Family Fun Night, auction will close following the event.
- Food: Pizza through Marcos and Hot Dogs. Meal deal \$5 or separate items available for purchase

Reading Program - Heather Piwonski-Dickinson

- No updates

Restaurant Fundraisers - Tiffany Evans & Molly McGregor

- Jan: Scotts Subs profited \$515
- Feb: Panera
- March: Uncle Mikes
- April: Bowling
- May: Scotts

RaiseRight - Matt Holewinski

- Bonus continue to be available

ScienceFair - Bob Zemple

- Magic and Science Guy Thursday March 13th , AM and PM so all students can participate.
- Science fair scheduled for 4/24

Spirit Wear - Heather Piwonski-Dickinson

- No updates

Staff Appreciation - Kelly Hayes & Sybilla

- February appreciation will occur on Friday 2/14.

WI Herd Night - Sarah Zemple

- 2/20/25-Tickets still available, event aligned with other Pulaski groups. Lots of great opportunities to be involved at the game.

Treasurer's Report

Maddie Silk

- See attachment
- Expenses/deposits report as prepared by Maddie

New Business/Ideas

Gym Equipment

Mr. LaFave

- Climbing Wall additions: Wild Web, Ninja circuit. Will add additional challenges for older students, expanded climbing area. Mats for beneath
- Folding mats (9-5x10 mats) will be purchased.
- Will be using money held from Mr. LaFave's fundraiser to purchase.

Teacher Requests

Mrs. Juszczyk

- Fourth Grade: Set of 6 reading text sets. 13 titles for additional books related to classroom units. Motion to approve:Tiffany. Passed with no objections.

- Yearbooks 5th grade

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- For students not purchased this school year, PTO will sponsor so all students receive one
- Future years: provide to all 5th graders as a line item in PTO budget.
- Will explore to see if there is an option for families to sponsor and support those in need if desired.

Howard Commons

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- Offer events for school participation, ice skating or roller skating. Will donate \$1/admission back to school. Considering an event in spring (roller skating).

Adjournment

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Our next meeting is on Monday, March 10th, 2025 at 6:30pm