



January 15, 2025 Meeting

Call to Order 7:00pm

Accept Minutes all in favor and accept minutes from previous meeting

Membership Report: 2 new staff members making new totals 44 staff members and 151 families

Treasurer Report

- Fiscal Report:
 - Actual Account Balance is \$32,705.30
- Fund Requests: no fund requests

Fundraising Report

- Fundraisers:
 - Gertrude Hawk would like to add \$1,753 to the budget for next year.
 - Voted 14 in person yes, no oppose
- Dine To Donate:
 - 1/22 Panera 4:00-800 in person and online all day
 - 2/26 Shake Shack all day
 - 3/12 Chipotle @ Chimney Rock Rd
- Spirit Wear:
 - Made \$1600 since last meeting
 - There will be a contest coming up. More details to come

Ongoing Business

- Holiday Shop Recap:
 - PTO would like to thank all our volunteers. We appreciate everyone's help, the event would not be able to go on without it. We would also like to give a special thank you to Mrs. Kessler, her daughter and Mrs. Streko for volunteering and staying all day to help.
 - Made \$3,029 in sales
 - All left over bake sale items were taken to the police station
- Teacher Hot Cocoa Bar Recap: everything went great
- Day of Service:
 - Will start the week of 1/20. Students at VDV will be filling out a bingo card of kindness as a class. The class to get different bingos first will choose a non profit organization to donate money to.
 - SMS will be organizing a Sock-A-Thon and the proceeds from that will be going to SHIP
- Teacher/Staff Grants:
 - 3 from VDV: Approved were from Mrs. Setzer for gamify learning and Mrs. White

- for lego stem kits. 1 denied for Mrs. Frevert and will come back to at a later time
- 1 from SMS which was over budget and denied at this time

New Business

- Valentine Grams:
 - The flyers will be going out beginning the week of 1/27. All orders will be due by 2/7 and grams will be put in teachers mailboxes on 2/13
 - Products have been purchased
- VDV Book Fair
 - The Book Fair will be held 3/3-3/7 and the theme is "Reading Rocks"
 - There will be a committee meeting on 1/28
 - The Coin Drive will be from 2/19-2/26- please start gathering containers for coins

Updates from the Schools & School Organizations

- VDV:
 - We had a fantastic Winter Concert with our 4th and 5th grade students. Thank you again to our VDV music program, Mrs. Wojewoda and Ms. Fabrizi, for supporting your students in their musical endeavors. We also had our kindergarten winter concert. Our preschoolers will be performing this Friday, January 17th.
 - Thank you to all of those who once again made our Holiday Hop a success! The students love the decorated space as well as dancing away to the songs.
 - We had our December and January school wide read alouds. Mr. Lubisco was our December reader! Our students very much enjoy this time and hearing all the wonderful stories being shared. Wellness Wednesday by our nurses connects to these monthly read alouds as well!
 - We are also super proud of our students and all their hard work during the iReady diagnostics over the last two weeks! Information on student progress and scores will be forthcoming once all diagnostics are complete.
 - We will be having our Prize Cart this Friday and our Student Achievement Event in a few weeks where students can buy extra time to be in their special class like art or gym to do a special activity.
- SMS:
 - Thank you for the holiday treats that the PTO provided staff before we went on break, the staff love the treat day
 - On December 9/10 we completed iReady diagnostic 2 and students performed very well and demonstrated significant individual growth for both ELA and Math....this is helping inform our instruction for January, February, and March.
 - On Monday, December 16th, students in Mrs. Kohlhepp Strang's class participated in a V lab titled "Massive Attraction" As geophysicists, students explored the attractive forces of gravity and demonstrated how these attractive forces depend on the mass of the interacting objects.
 - On Wednesday, December 18th The SMS Holiday Concert was a huge success.

- On December 19th the 6th grade students visited RVCC's planetarium. While there, the students attended the show called "Losing the Dark,with Earth to Universe." In context, this reference teaches our students about the increasing inability to see a clear night sky due to light pollution.
- Winter sports performing well...After tonight's girl's game we'll learn more about playoffs for next week
- Drama Production: rehearsals and practices have be underway for Willy Wonka JR
- Yearbook information is on our website along with other pertinent information so please check the website
- Dates
- 1/17 - Vo Tech Testing (8th Grade)
- 1/20 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day School Closed
- 1/21 - Cyber Security Presentation @ 8:30-11:30am
- 1/24 - Medieval Presentation (7th Grade)
- 1/24 - End of MP 2
- 1/30 - HS Peer Leadership Outreach
- 1/31 - MP 2 Report Cards Released
- 2/1 - Latino Conference 2025 8:30am-1:00pm @ SHS
- 2/5 - Black History Month Assembly
- 2/7 - Valentine's Day Dance @ 7:00pm
- Special Education Parent Advisory Group (SEPAG):
 - Meetings are held the 1st Wednesday of every month
 - Workshop in February of "Understanding Your Disability"

Close of Meeting at 7:34pm

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Meetings are 3rd Wed of each month @ 7pm: 2/19, 3/19, 4/23, 5/21