

APRIL MINUTES



NHS PAL MEETING MINUTES - - - April 17, 2024

Welcome & Introductions; In Attendance

Maggie Clifford, Megan Chartier, Catherine Laroux, Sharon DeColfmacker, Susan Snyder

Approval of Minutes

March minutes have not been added to PAL website, committee will review and approve in May's meeting.

Administrative / Enrichment Update

Susan Snyder / Megan Chartier

- New playground equipment has been delivered (Wesaw, swing and picnic table)
- During April break, will conduct \$12K in repairs of playground including partial new rubber mat.
- Long term planning for budget includes replacing fire panel, roof, HVAC, and new playground equipment.
- Principal Snyder will be sending out parent input forms this week for rising K-5 students.
- SAS Testing 5/3-5/8
- 8th grade trip to Hurricane Island to be reviewed and receive final approval from board this week.
- 8th grade graduation tentatively scheduled for 6/11.
- Last day of school tentatively scheduled for 6/12, to be announced by SAU.
- Jaggy Awards Friday 4/19
- Earth day celebration 4/18. School plastic bag collection kick off.
- 4th grade Maple syrup event was successful and made over \$400 towards funding the future project.
- Eclipse watch event was a fun, successful gathering.
- The Little Mermaid production was a wonderful event and Principal Snyder thanked PAL for the pizza party on Sunday after the final show.

Budget (Year End is July 31)

Megan Chartier:

- There is currently \$18,755 in the PAL account with no outstanding substantial items.
- February Charitable Gaming income totaled \$3697.96
- Charitable gaming days in Hampton scheduled for July 14 – 18

- Thirsty Moose event raised \$814.
- Waiting for Los Cantaros and Seacoast Soups checks, Sherri Clerk to follow up with restaurants.

Events / Fundraisers / Direct Donations ('23-'24)

- Jaguar Gala scheduled for 6/1, 6pm-Governor Dale Farm. More information will be provided at the next PAL meeting in May.
- (Not discussed but holdover from previous meetings) May TBD – Whym with Jaggy appearance.
- Discussion of need for larger fundraising projects to support long term planning for school. Members will reach out to neighboring PTAs to learn what fundraising events have had success.
- There may be a conflict of upcoming events, ELO's coffee house event and the upcoming Family Fitness Day on 5/17. Potential date change to 5/24 for Fitness Day

Teacher Appreciation:

- May – teacher appreciation week – stock the staff room, Lexi's food truck on 5/15, daily raffle. Having success with parent sign up for donations and volunteering.
- Looking to create a pre-order form for Lexie's orders to decrease wait time for teachers.

Parent Social:

- Still brainstorming ideas for Parent Social event(s). Ideas include Whym, Old Salt, trivia, golf fundraiser. Members will reach out to surrounding PTAs regarding successful past events.

Discussion / Other Business

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- Classroom parent volunteers – PAL will be sending a survey to teachers regarding implementation of this potential program, waiting for approval from administration.
- Konstella-PAL members are currently testing a free trial of this parent communication platform. SAU may be exploring similar platform, more information to come.

Voting / Position Changes

PAL Recruitment:

- Still Seeking Secretary for upcoming 2-year term (2024-2026)

Next Meeting Date

May 15, 2024 @ 6:00 PM in NHS Library

PAL 2023-2024 Executive Board

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:04 p.m. and was passed unanimously.

Co-Chairs: Sherri Clerk & Maggie Clifford

Enrichment Coordinator: Megan Chartier

Treasurer: Caitlin McCown

Secretary: Jamie Walther

Member(s) at Large: Wendy Wallus,