

NHS PAL MEETING MINUTES - - - October 15, 2025

## Welcome & Introductions; In Attendance

Lynn Sansosti, Erin Ibey, Carah Kiley, Sharon DeColfmacker, Catherine LeCroix, Kristin James, Rebecca Carlson, Emily Greenwood, Sherri Clerk, Crissa Kounavis

### Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the September meeting were approved.

### Administrative / Enrichment Update

- Community Book Read-The Anxious Generation- hosted by the North Hampton Library-teachers, parents, and community members are invited to participate- they have divided the book into three sections for book club discussion with three dates for the book club which are 11/10/25, 1/13/26, and 3/12/26- PAL to send info about the book club out to the parents.
- Executive functioning skill development- faculty doing some professional development regarding executive functioning- admin would like ideas on how to include the parents- discussed asking classroom coordinators to help with this.
- Faculty kitchen renovation- the project incurred some unexpected costs for plumbing and electrical work- we received a bill for \$5,680- PAL to cover the extra costs.
- Upcoming enrichment requests- new bleachers and a new sandbox for pre-K- more info on both to come.

#### Budget

- Current account balances- Checking \$22,915.15; Savings \$15,077.33.
- Harvest Festival total cost \$2,118.18.
- We also purchased T-shirts for Kindergarten.
- We received a check for \$11,043.12 from Oceanfront gaming.
- We received \$1,475.00 in direct donations in September.
- Trail maps- PAL has been selling the maps framed and unframed-all money raised is donated to the forestry department- to date we have made \$192.

Events / Fundraisers / Direct Donations ('25-'26)

- The Brook charitable gaming- we are on their waiting list.
- Next Community Night-Thirsty Moose Thursday October 16th
- Harvest Festival- successful event- approximately 200 people attended.
- UNH sporting events- discussed trying to plan a UNH hockey/basketball game community night.
- We need to recruit more volunteers for playground committee.
- Fundraising- trying a new model this year. Going to ask families to donate twice a year. Our goal is to raise \$7,500.00 a semester. The goal is to no longer have to ask families to donate items such as waters, snacks, gift cards, etc. throughout the school year.
- North Hampton Business Association- PAL has officially joined- we joined the association so we can
  encourage local businesses to participate in our sponsorship plan- School Board is requiring us to
  create a Sponsorship Policy to be sure the participating businesses are aligned with our mission and
  values. We submitted our Sponsorship Policy- now waiting for School Board approval.
- Next spirit wear drive to be held end of Oct/early Nov- we discussed looking into some lower cost
  options for upcoming sales as well as finding out the cost to purchase shirts for teachers.

#### Discussion / Other Business

- The PAL website continues to be updated-Teacher Appreciation Kind Words added as well as the raffle for the forestry department.
- Kind Words Project- kids can nominate in person at drop box in the library or now can also submit nominations on our website-Rebecca will also add it to google classroom for 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades.
- Teacher Appreciation- we provided snacks/beverages in faculty kitchen for parent-teacher conference week.
- Discussed different lunch and coffee options for professional development day and the next teacher appreciation week.
- Discussed adding donation thermometer to website with fundraiser goal to try to encourage more donations.
- Classroom coordinators- all classroom coordinators positions are filled except for 7th and 8th grades.
- We are looking into reactivating the PayPal account and looking into Stripe as a lower cost credit card processor.

## Voting / Position Changes

## • PAL Recruitment:

# Next Meeting Date

## November 18th 6pm NHS Library

# PAL 2025-2026 Executive Board

Co-Chairs: Lynn Sansosti & Sharon DeColfmacker

Enrichment Coordinator: Erin Ibey

Treasurer: Catherine LaCroix

Secretary: Carah Kiley

Web/eCommerce Administrator: Kristin James

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:30 p.m. and was passed unanimously.