

JANUARY MINUTES



NHS PAL MEETING MINUTES - - - January 15, 2025

Welcome & Introductions; In Attendance

Sherri Clerk, Catherine LaCroix, Carah Kiley, Susan Snyder, Kristen James, Yvonne LeBlanc, Sharon DeColfmacker, Dave O'Brien and Loren Tennent

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the November meeting were approved.

Administrative / Enrichment Update

- Sugar Shack update- will be getting a new evaporator- still needs to be inspected by the fire department.
- 18 families have signed up for the Family Book Club.
- Forestry Department- expressed an interest in making a story walk on the nature trail.
- Forestry Map- original print will go to the North Hampton Historical Society for safekeeping and to share with the community. Susan will make sure the Superintendent approves. PAL approved to pay \$250 to have the map digitally scanned. The image can then be used for school projects and curriculum. The map is from 1964 and is a hand drawn map of the school property.
- Discussed coming up with a new name for Community Nights as many events now are all day events.

Budget

- The account balance is \$26,834.00.
- Still looking for treasurer for next year.
- We received donations this month from Hannaford, Allstate, McDermot family, and the Reed family.
- Thirty Moose community night raised \$1,202.77.

- Minted Fundraising raised \$560.57.
- PAL funded- we gifted Nurse Mara a \$250 gift card for snacks and misc. needs.
- We paid \$1,800 for the Preschool Playhouse.
- We paid \$1,750 for the Sugar Shack and an additional \$250 to Mrs. Donohoe for misc. expenses.
- We will purchase books for the Family Book Club- approximately \$245.

Events / Fundraisers / Direct Donations ('24-'25)

- Charitable Gaming dates- March 22-26 & July 1-4.
- The Brook Gaming- too late to apply for 2025- we need to apply in Sept/Oct for 2026.
- Still working on new PAL logo and branding.
- Website update- added upcoming events and accomplishments.
- Going to start selling school play tickets on PAL website- will drive traffic to website.
- Classroom coordinator program going well. We have received positive feedback from teachers.
- Holiday cookie event was successful.
- Staff room refresh- good idea to work on for teacher appreciation week.
- Teacher appreciation week- discussed ideas such as food truck, gift cards, coffee cart.
- Discussed expanding Teacher Appreciation Committee- would be good to get more people involved and expand the committee in time for teacher appreciation week in May.
- Winter event- possibly a family bingo night- maybe a Thursday or Friday in March.

Discussion / Other Business

- New PAL logo & branding update- Jose came up with a couple different logos, we are still working on finalizing.
- Website update- PAL website in the process of being updated.

Voting / Position Changes

- Voted unanimously to approve \$250 for digital print of Forestry Map.

PAL Recruitment:

- Seeking Treasurer for next year (2025-2026)

Next Meeting Date

Wednesday February 19th 6pm at the NHS library

PAL 2023-2024 Executive Board

Co-Chairs: Sherri Clerk & Lynn Sansosti

Enrichment Coordinator: Catherine LaCroix

Treasurer: Caitlin McCown

Secretary: Carah Kiley

Web/eCommerce Administrator: Sharon DeColfmacker

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