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PTO Meeting Minutes – February 7th 6:30 pm

Welcome – Megan Naugle

Childcare- Principal, Mrs. Cheryl Turner, is seeking the assistance of another adult to provide childcare during PTO meetings. It would be better to have two adults as opposed to one. In the meanwhile, children can remain in the meeting with special considerations when discussing sensitive issues. Interested registered and background checked volunteers may connect with Mrs. Turner.

Review of minutes- Gerardo Capote and Tanesha Wilson- Minutes were emailed with August news and are available for review online. Additionally, a copy will be kept in the school's office.

Focus – Mrs. Cheryl Turner

- 1) March 6th** is the annual fundraising at Defy in Palm Bay. Promotional posters/flyers are needed to promote the event. Posters will be created by the end of the week by a PTO member. Volunteers needed to assist and time is applied to volunteer hours. It is open invitation to others related to school community. The cost is \$16.99 for 1 hour jump and \$21.99 for 90 minutes. Have all parties explain that they are from the Educational Horizons group, so we can get 20% of all sales or entry tickets but not food. Socks are also needed and costs \$3.49/3.99. Bring old socks to see if we will be allowed to use it.

- 2) Jog-a-thon-** Volunteers needs order and pick up trophies, create balloon arc, give up sticks etc. All volunteers on the premise on the day must be registered; however, there are volunteering opportunities for those who are currently not registered. The date is February 24th. Each student will be sent home with a pledge sheet. Pledges can be a flat rate or per lap. The top two

boys and girls in each grade will receive trophies. Anyone who contributes \$25 or more will get a dress down pass. The top class will get a \$40 Amazon Card. Other classes with 90% or more participation will get a \$25 Amazon card. The goal is to raise \$5000 to \$6000. Cash or checks payable to Educational Horizons PTO (EHCS PTO) will be accepted for payments. Parents are advised to be mindful of the weather in dressing students who are participating.

Volunteers can connect with PTO President Meagan or any member of the PTO Leadership to sign up for the event.

Treasurer's Report – Diana Hernandez

- 1) Balance-** The account at present has a balance of \$6,999.14 This includes a recent deposit from Amazon Smiles. Additionally, checks for teacher's supplies at the beginning of the year have been cleared.
- 2) Box Tops and Amazon Smile-** Parents are encouraged to continue using Box Tops and Amazon Smile to allow the school to benefit. Adding Educational Horizons to an Amazon account comes at no additional cost to families. Parents can even ask family and friends to add Educational Horizons to their accounts. In Amazon Smile, Educational Horizons can be found under Satellite Beach; however, we were notified that Amazon Smiles school contributions would be going away in the near future.
- 3) Recent deposits-**
 - a. T-shirt sales- \$169.00 to date- sales are still on going. For those interested please reach out to the Diana Hernandez (PTO treasurer)
 - b. Box Tops/ Amazon Smiles- \$112 from last deposits
 - c. Yearbook sales- unknown amount at the moment but \$40 so far

Vice President's Report – Alicia Savela

- Morning Mile- great so far and excellent volunteers. Kids are doing well and enjoying it. PTO members requesting that the link be resent. Megan Naugle Tuesday and Thursday (volunteers needed)
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e44a8a82dafacf8-morning>
- All City Track Meet- Practice starts February 11, 2023 at Max Rhode Park. Since event is not on the Educational Horizons premise, students are not

covered under the school's liability insurance. Parents should plan to stay with students at all practices off campus. Organizer doesn't have volunteer status, so parents need to be with students. The youngest age to participate is 8 years old. All participants must be a minimum of 8 years old by April 15th and maximum age is 14 years old. The date of the meet is April 15th.

- Yearbook Sales- early bird sale ends by March 9th- \$20 until that date and \$25 after. Some recognition pages are still available for purchase. This is especially nice to highlight 5th and 6th graders.

Principal's Report – Mrs. Turner

- **Barnes and Noble evening-** We had a great turn out for the event. Some kids were not being monitored and some items were damaged in the store. For future events parents are being asked to monitor their kids closely to avoid reoccurrence of this. To date there were no sales reported as yet from Barnes and Nobles. Anticipated to received sales information later into the year. Funds used to buy supplies. Each teacher typically given a gift card to use the funds on needed classroom items. Thanks to all the families who supported the event.
- **Science Fair:** We have 6 Students that will be advancing to the finals from EHCS.
- **Field Trip**
 - Grade 5 BSO Trip was successful and students took lots of photos
 - Teachers are requesting assistance from the PTO for rooms 7&8 to offset the cost of their field trip. This would cap the cost at \$12 instead of \$16. This was voted on in the meeting and all participants present at PTO meeting were in favor of same. Teachers are in the process of finalizing the site to visit. First site was not selected because of privacy concerns. They are still discussing places to visit. Chaperones and drivers are needed. All volunteers must be registered volunteers. Parents should notify Class teachers if interested.

Teacher's Report –

The word of the month is Kindness. For “Kindness Month”- teachers are encouraging students to appreciate acts of kindness shown by students.

Teachers working hard to complete syllabus and are using Star test results to guide lessons.

Other Items: None discussed**Concerns and questions? -**

The TV in Kindergarten class is not working- A PTO member ask if one could be donated. Mrs. Turner confirmed that the donation would be welcomed.

Funds from the PTO Fund- PTO members asked if funds are currently earmarked for a specific goal. Treasurer advised that money is not specifically earmarked but will be used for specific things at end of the school year. We need to have enough to purchase teacher supplies at the beginning of the school year as well as other things like liability insurance. Funds raised at our Spring event (DEFY) will be used towards our Fall Festival for 2023.

Next Meeting: March 7th- Planning for final events for the year

Respectfully Submitted,
Tanesha Wilson