

Howard Elementary PTO Board Meeting Notes
Tuesday January 16th, 2018
Howard Elementary School Community Room - 6:00 PM

Allan presented his Principal's report -

- 18/19 Calendar and Schedule change. Elementary and Secondary dates will be aligned. Elementary arrival and dismissal times will be aligned.
- A parent raised the question of lunch times - it is up to the school to decide what time lunches and snack times occur. If parents have concerns, they can bring it to Site Council.

1. Special Project - \$5,000

1. Tables, 2. Books, 3. Mural in Library, 4. Lockers

1. Tables for the courtyards.
2. Books for the library.
3. Mural in Library.
4. Lockers for classrooms or for hallway places - this was taken off as no one was excited about this.
 - There was much discussion of each of the projects.
 - *Since there was not very many people who came to the PTO meeting, members asked to put this out to parents to get more input. Possibly through a Survey Monkey. This will be sent out by next month, along with a paper version of the proposal.*
 - *Another idea would be to add a scooter or skateboard to the front of the school.*

2. Bingo Night - Update

Not a good turn out - no future events in January families are still recovering from the holidays

- This took place from 5:30-7:30. All the food that was left over was donated to the Eugene Mission.
- *PTO decided that January is a hard time for families, and is always difficult to get people to come out for and pay for anything. They were deciding to change the January night to a craft night or getting a donor to pay for the food for families.*

3. Penny War - Mar 12 thru 16 - Please if interested in helping sign up on sign up sheet

Pennies count as one point each, but silver coins and paper money count AGAINST that classrooms point value. Teams can then place silver coin and paper money into other classroom jars making the points reduced for the other classroom.

Example: Classroom A has 100 pennies and a student from Class Room B places a Quarter in Class Room A's Jar they now only have 75 points, but they have 100 pennies.

There will be 2 winning classrooms, the classroom with the most points and the classroom with the most pennies.

These winning classrooms will be rewarded with a classroom party!

- *Students wanted this year to be Super Mario Bros themed.*

4. Spring Bazaar - April 7th 9-3

We already have several vendors lined up for this event but will need help setting up and tearing down the Friday and Saturday of the event. If interested please sign up on Sign up sheet.

- *There are already 4 vendors coming. Brandi is wanting to use the gym, but we could use the cafeteria and the front hallway if needed. There is space for 55 spaces and each of the spaces cost \$25 for an 8'x4' space and \$40 for an 16'x4' space. Vendors could choose if they want a table or no table, or a mix of both.*

5. Mc Teacher - April 12 or 19

An email has been sent out to Angie at McDonalds and once confirmed we will get flyers out and put a sign up sheet for teachers in the office.

- This is a night that teachers work for McDonalds and the proceeds go to pay for something in the school. This event usually takes place in February, but McDonald's is not having schools do this until April.
- *The February event could be changed to a craft night, possibly February 9th. A sign up sheet went around and asked for interested parents to sign up.*

6 Carnival- June 8th - Please if interested in helping organize and plan the event. Sign up on the sign up sheet. Please take a packet and collect donations (with your child if possible)

- *Brandi is looking for help in going to businesses and try to collect donations. They are in packets of 20 businesses along with cover letters, separated by region around town.*

7. Board Members -

We will be accepting applications for President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Parliamentarian, Fundraising Coordinator, Volunteer coordinator, Communication Manager in April. Please consider taking up one of these rolls in our PTO if we do not have at least the President, Treasurer and Secretary we will have to disband our Charity organization and run any fundraiser through the school.

- *Information will be going home with students to get volunteers for these positions for PTO.*
- *All positions are 2 year commitments - the amount of time that PTO spends on activities is up to the current PTO.*

8. Open Discussion - Sign Ups

- **Book Fair - February 26th - March 1st. This is during Literacy Night.**