

PTA General Meeting Minutes, 12/17/19

Northeast Elementary School Library

- Review September meeting minutes
- Vote to approve
- Sarah Seroussi, PTA President, announces Teacher Discretionary Awards
 - Summary of awards given
- Donna: Thanks Program leaders
- Alyssa: Program Budget
 - Cheddar-Up a success
 - 164 members
 - Boxtops - encourage school community to collect them using the APP
 - Amazon Smile - use it to support the PTA
 - Admin expenses are over what we budgeted for
- Voting: Kim Hall voted onto Nominating Committee
 - Nominated by Alyssa Mack
- Winter Market Summary (Alyssa)
 - Way over-prepared with materials (have materials for the next few years)
 - Under what we hoped to bring in, but can make it up in following years
 - Timing: next year do it before Thanksgiving? Too many things happening the same time this year
 - Discuss not having vendors next year (not worth their time?)
 - Next year: Reach out ahead of time to Liddy and teachers to get older kids involved
 - Discuss offering some free activities next year in addition to the crafts (the cost may have turned some families away)
 - Photo Booth: make it more enticing and fun for next year
 - Add music next year
 - Silent Auction: Do it as an online, separate fundraiser?
- Enrichment: New Classes:
 - Running to Places Theatre offering
 - Jay Leeming Story-telling offering
- Liddy:
 - Encouraged families to make their voice heard to get funding (capital project or other) from the school board for expansions on the school.
 - In 3 years Northeast is projected to be over 500 students: already over capacity at 420.
 - Liddy asked for:
 - larger gym, more room for gym teachers
 - Green area to be enclosed
 - Space for music lessons
 - Suggested having an evening of questions with Chris Malcom, with transportation as a theme, but can also bring up expansion questions

- Other suggestion: Make a parent petition to the school board to ask for expansion funding
 - Some Repairs will take place over the break
- Next General Meeting January 14th
- Dance: being coordinated by Brian Rohan
- Movie night: being planned for March 18th, night before Parent-teacher conferences