

JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

HSA MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Date of Meeting:	February 8, 2022	Location:	Zoom meeting
Minutes Prepared By:	Lenore Corry	Time Start/End:	7:03pm -

1. Attendance at Meeting

Dana Hunkele	Susan Bergmann	Sarah O'Brein
Tim Ayers	Meryl King	Maria McDonald
Nicole Maday	Sandra Kraemer	Val Riker
Amy Miller	Helen McGowan	
Antonio Lopes	Judy Sweeney	
Ingrid Cobos	Bernadette Tortorella	

2. Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Accept Minutes from January 10, 2022
3. Principal's Report
4. President's Report
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Committee Reports
7. New Business
8. Old Business
9. Adjourn Meeting

3. Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order
2. Accepted Minutes from January 10, 2022
3. Principal's Report – Tim Ayers – Dr Conklin sent out an email, and we are hoping to get back to some sense of normalcy. Thursday a letter will be going out about the Geography Bee for 3rd, 4th and 5th graders. Jefferson will be hosting this year. We have also reached out to Paul Mazzio, with the hopes of getting our Bike Rodeo back for the 3rd graders. We had our orchestra concert today. The administrators had dinner with Mrs Vetrano (Wilson principal who resigned) and wish her the best on her new position at Hasbrock Heights. Souper Bowl collections have been going well, thank you for all your donations. And thank you for your cooperation with the Kiss & Drop. Teresa Burns our ELL teacher has resigned.
4. Presidents Report – Dana Hunkele – Ground Rules – Assume positive intent, work together as a team to come up with new ideas and new solutions, we are not going to compare ourselves to others, and we are going to be positive. We sold 57 of our Valentine's Day Love Notes. We made a profit of \$294. They will be delivered by the HSA board between Thursday and Friday and will be concealed in case it's a surprise. We will be sending out our sign up genius to solicit for next years open positions. Our April HSA meeting has to be moved from April 12th (spring break) to April 5th. This will be my last meeting that I officially run, as I will be handing over the reigns to Amy and Elisa.
5. Treasurer's Report – Ingrid Cobos – We need to increase book fair budget by \$50 due to more children attending the school. (\$2730) We had a balance of \$59,074 as of our last meeting in January. We have received several payments. (5th grade Choc bombs, box tops, Fall Chocolate Sale, Valentine's Notes) \$2468.25 deposited for the month. We also

had a number of expenses (fundraisers – Take It Make It, St Roccas, choc bombs, Staff appreciation, as well as donations to Marek family & Wilkolowski family, and the holiday gift reimbursement). \$3158.16 was paid out for the month. Balance as of today is \$58,374.50. (placeholder for playground still in place) leaving \$16,043.75.

6. Committee Reports –

- a. Board of Ed – Antonio Lopes - The public components of the meeting have been pretty long, with teachers, staff and parents speaking out. They have been voicing their concerns about what is going on in the district – lack of support, flexibility when it comes to planning, pacing, collaboration as well. There is dialogue going on between Central Office and the schools – more meetings going on – we need to keep an eye on that. Teachers have been voicing their concerns in the past couple of meetings. Two middle schools students presented, an Eagle Scout was recognized, and their were reports by the different committees – curriculum and technology, finance and facility, and more info will be shared with everyone next week as well as a presentation of the audit (the financial component of the district). District goals will be presented next week as well. March 7th school principals will be reporting out about each of their goals.
- b. Spring Candy Sale – Helen McGowan- The Gertrude Hawke sale will begin 2/25 and will run for 2 ½ weeks till March 14th. Delivery will be before Easter. Will be online only if you need a paper order form please reach out to me! We need \$500 in sales to secure free delivery to Jefferson.
- c. Discount Theme Park Tickets – Amy Miller- We are still waiting on pricing for some of the theme parks, I have been in talks with the Washington mom who is running this for their school. For some of the discounts, we need a certain number of tickets sold, so we were thinking that we could possibly pool our numbers together. More to come soon! Dana suggested us getting in touch with Lincoln and Wilson contact as well.
- d. 5th Grade Promotion Planning – Judy Sweeney- We had a meeting with the committee last week, and we will be starting February selling lawn signs with delivery the beginning to middle of March. We are thinking about bringing back Mom’s Night Out on April 6th. We are looking into Dough. We are discussing themes and will be sending out emails to start getting the pictures together for the yearbook. Tree Ring has developed their own photo drop for pictures, so that makes it even easier. We have some fun ideas going forward pending approval. Dates for promotion and pool party will be sent out shortly. We also have a service project in the works cleaning up Wrench Park.
- e. Fun At Lunch – Bernadette Tortorella- The weathers been good, so the kids have primarily outside. We would like to get started planning March Madness towards the beginning of March. Possible Uno or GoFish tournament. Mr Ayers spoke to one of his colleagues and found they were having an ice cream day at one of the others schools, we will be looking into that. Freeze Dance as well!!!
- f. Helping Hands – Nicole Maday & Sarah O’Brein- Still going back and forth between Backpacks For Life and Women to Women – they both seem to want the same kind of donations. We may do both. We may partner with the 5th grade. We can also make cards for the women in shelters – like words of encouragement. Fun at Lunch is interested in partnering as well with the cards. Would like to speak with the other schools and possibly work together.
- g. Literacy Committee – Meryl King – Thank you all! Our 2nd Annual Read a Thon is in full swing and 70% of Jefferson students have registered. Thank you to all the parents and thank you to Mr Ayers and the staff for really getting the word out. As soon as we have all the totals, we will get them out. 3/2 is the target date for us to

- announce all the winners and the top class. (All the minutes and all the dollars etc). The Literacy Committee had a google meeting on 1/26 and we reviewed our initiatives for the rest of the school year including the Read-A-Thon and bookfairs. I have emailed Mr. Ayers with the 2 dates we needed confirmed – A bookfair for April and another in June to send the kiddos home with books over the summer. I have emailed the board asking for additional funds for another \$5.00. Our October Bookfair was the most successful we have ever had in the history of the school. Every single student went home with a book and we sold over 6K in books and make over 3K in scholastic dollars for Mrs. Berkman. It was decided to remove April bookfair from the schedule and have a Book Swap in May and a final bookfair in June. We continue to encourage everyone to please utilize the Jefferson Book Box book box – I just added more books to it today.
- h. School Spirit Wear – Val Riker – We need to figure out the dates (we need 1 month in advance) and we have decided to work with Madewear in Livingston.
 - i. Staff Appreciation – Judy Sweeney – We got positive feedback from December. We are planning for February after when we come back from the break.
7. Old Business – Field Day, Bike Rodeo, Class Trips, Mrs Moran and Mrs Burns years of service
 8. Adjourn Meeting

5. Next Meeting					
Date:	April 5, 2022	Time:	7:00pm	Location:	Zoom meeting
Signature	Lenore Corry				