**PTO Minutes 11/5/14**

**Minutes approved from 10/1/14**

1. **President's report-Erika Thornton**

- now official non-profit organization! (Kudos to Erika for all of her hard work!)

- will try to get to be tax exempt at state level

1. **Vice President- Candace Shockley**

- Program we applied to Stoughton Cultural Council for funds for a Historical Perspectives program with Amelia Earhart. Program would occur on January 20, 2015.

1. **Treasurer- Margot Mitchell**

-Budget sheet for October shared; went over October revenue item

-Grant money still available for teachers to use

**4. Secretary-Mara Hochberg**

-Thank you notes shared

**5. Membership- Kelly Gillis**

- 86/193 families joined PTO

- 29 Teachers & staff

**6. Fundraising- Sheila Carter, reported by Erika Thornton**

- Charleston wrap arriving on Friday 11/7/14; hoping to have pick up on Friday, 11/7 @ 2:00 and Monday, 11/10 8-8:30

- Coupon books have arrived!! Hoping to send home on Monday, 11/10. Every student gets a book. If you want the book, please send a check. If not, please return the book by Monday, 11/24.

**7. Cultural Enrichment- Meryl Eisenstein**

**SCHOOL REPORTS**

**Mrs. Mulvey**

High touch, High Tech-in house program, 4 & 5 grades only

- new lost and found in wooden locker in front entry

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Pumpkin Patch**

- $8952 was brought in

- Big kudos and thank you to Joanne Straqualarsi for all of her hard work!

- Haunted house was a huge success!

- Thank you notes are being written by a group; an add was taken out in the Pennysaver, too

**Scholastic Book Fair**

- Most funds were taken in during parent conferences

- Will have a book fair that coincides with January conferences; another book

fair will happen in April

- Scholastic dollars: Use for Battle of the Books; for Weekly Readers; PTO would like to

purchase a book for every student in March combined with Read Across America Day.

**School Store**

- very busy last month!

- water bottles are $2

**Family Sports Night**

- November 21 at South School! Zumba, family kickball game in the gym, and perhaps yoga in library

- Raffle for 3-month free membership to Elite

**Holiday Store**

- December 2-4, Tuesday thru Thursday; Joanne Straqualarsi & Lorraine Pawkner

- Every item will cost $2

**Box Tops**

- $535 worth of box tops was submitted

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Playground balls-** Franklin Sports deal: $2.50 per item: balls, hula hoops, tennis balls, Chinese jump ropes

- will check with Reebok - Ellen Terron

**Holiday Breakfast**

- For teachers and staff; Friday Decmber 19th; Mara Hochberg will coordinate; Julie Giroux & Nadalee Angelos will help

**Craft Afternoon**

- December 11, an early release Thursday; 12:30-1:30

-Tracey Campo will be running

- RSVP/sign ups for an idea; no cost, but please bring canned goods

**Turkey Grams:**

Katherine McLaughlin ws going to check with Student Counsel to

See if they would be doing Turkey Grams this year; if they were not PTO would sponsor the Turkey Gram program.

**Other**

- discussion about morning drop of cars; will bring to School Council

- Turkey grams?? Is this something Student Council will be doing? Or can PTO do

- Feedback: How come no movie for young kids during Halloween Dance? How come only 2 bathrooms?

-Patriots game volunteers-Sunday November 23, 2014 1:00 game, need 12 people by 1 1/14/14: have 6 so far