



Board Members In Attendance

Emilee Mielke (Co-President), Jamie Wagner (Co-President), Sarah Long (Treasurer)

Thank you to all who attended! ☺

Northern Hills Teachers/Staff In Attendance

Lish Olson (Principal), Cami Pietrek (1st Grade), & Kristine Bahr (LMC)

Treasurer Report

- The current Verve bank balance is: **\$4,320.11**
- The current Cheddar Up balance is: **\$179** (Birthday Marquee Messages)
- The current Venmo balance is: **\$206.80** (Snack Shack & Swag Sales)
- Other financial updates since last meeting:
 - TDS Reimbursement check for calendar magnets arrived today and will be deposited this week.

Updates

- **Guest from Clubs Choice Fundraising:** Thank you, Tom for joining our PTO meeting! Tom has been with Clubs Choice Fundraising for 30 years and looks forward to helping us have a very successful student fundraiser this fall. Clubs Choice provides many food and gift options at a 40% profit to the school. Both online and paper sales are available. Clubs Choice will help develop promotional videos to share and prize incentive packages. Proposed dates are 10/16- 10/27 with items delivered/picked up 11/17 in time for the holidays. Funds raised will be used for new playground equipment and field trips.
- **Non-elected Position Updates**
 - o **Restaurant give-back coordinator:** Emilee
 - 8/30 Toppers (\$459.38), 11/21 Chipotle, 1/17 Noodles & Co, 3/6 Burrachos, 5/6 MKE Burger Co
 - o **Birthday book coordinators:** Anne
 - Book inventory is great after some purchases were made last month.
 - Should be able to stay under budget with the new vendors found this year.
 - Better World Books donation request was submitted 8/24 by Jamie (TBD)
 - o **PTC Meal coordinator:** Chrissy
 - October 4- Senor Villa
 - February 7th- TBD
 - Volunteer slots were added for both dates.
 - o **Movie Night coordinator:** TBD
 - Movie nights will be held as a "Winter Movie Series" 12/15, 1/26, 2/23
 - Movies TBD
 - NH has a screen and projector in the gym. The PTO will play a DVD (movie license covered by school district), and PTO will sell minimal concessions. Attendees can bring blankets and sit either in the bleachers or on the floor.
- **Spirit Wear**
 - o Screen printed shop will close on September 8th.
 - o Discussed creating a "Davie" design for next time we run the screen print shop. Emilee will work on that.

- **Coin Challenge**
 - o The Coin Challenge is live! Sept 5-19
 - After Day 1 we raised \$242.40 and 2nd grade is in 1st place.
 - Prizes discussed were Mario-themed Oreos for the winning grade and Mario-themed stickers or non-food item for the full school as a celebration of funds raised.
- **Volunteer Involvement**
 - o Discussed ideas on how to encourage more meeting attendees and volunteer involvement.
 - Spotlight volunteers periodically on social media
 - Be specific with our requests (find those with certain talents or connections in the community)

Volunteer Opportunities

- [Volunteer opportunities available](#)
- [NH teacher/staff meeting sign-up](#)

Principal's Notes

- **Playground Equipment:**
 - o After this year's playground assessment, it is advised that we plan on replacing one or more items after this year. PTO plans to allocate funds raised at fundraiser this year towards this effort as well as possible shade options.
- **EBELC 5th Grade Field Trip:**
 - o PTO should plan to collaborate with the three elementary schools once again with the Calendar Bingo fundraiser in the spring to raise money for this trip
 - 61 5th graders at NH (189 total at OSD) + 5 chaperones per school
 - \$140 per person rate is increasing to \$150 in 2024
 - Administration is researching options to ensure that this trip is the best option to fulfill curriculum requirements while remaining cost effective for the school & families.

Ongoing

- **NH PTO Website:** <https://www.nhpto.com/> and **LinkTree** <https://linktr.ee/nhpto>
- **Birthday Marquee Sign:** Birthday message with the student's name and age can be [purchased for \\$5 here](#)
- **Spirit Wear (Clothing) Shop:** <https://gamedaysupply.net/collections/northern-hills-elementary>
- **NH Spirit (Items) Shop:** <https://my.cheddarup.com/c/northern-hills-spirit-swag>

Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, October 3rd at 6:15pm in-person at the Northern Hills Elementary cafeteria (enter through Door C). Any questions or comments can be directed to NHillsPTO@gmail.com