

Heritage Elementary PTO
Heritage Elementary Library
September 19, 2016



- Call to Order 6:31 p.m.
- Welcome- 17 members present
- Vote on August Minutes
 - Approved by all members
- PRINCIPAL'S REPORT→Mrs. Nelson
 - Annual evacuation drill (took 12 minutes)
 - Wednesday early dismissal
 - This Thursday is Reading Night at Heritage
 - Friday, Bennington High School Homecoming
 - October 11th Second Grade Program
 - October 18-19th Parent Teacher Conferences
 - October 28th Halloween Party
 - October 24-27 Terra Nova Testing
- TREASURER'S REPORT→Amy Sempek
 - \$12,286.07 current balance
- OLD BUSINESS
 - Read-a-thon update- Rachel Tomlinson
 - Large amount of children have not registered for the Read-a-thon
 - Currently \$5800 raised
 - Straight donation
 - ONLY fundraiser of the year
 - Prizes for the class that raises the most and for the class with the most participation
 - If everyone participates it averages to \$60 per student
 - 243 students have not created their pages, many classes have 0 kids signed up on the Read-a-thon site
 - If we have each of the 50 states represented in donations then Mrs. Nelson and the teachers will be SLIMED! Donations due by October 7th.
 - Students earn prizes for the amount that they receive in donations
 - It would help motivate the students to see the prizes- TEACHERS can help by showing the prizes to the students to motivate them to participate
 - Children have 10 days after the closing of the fundraiser to choose their prizes
 - PTO Memberships-
 - If you have paid dues for this year and have not gained access to the online directory, please email HeritagePTO2012@gmail.com. There are a few families that have paid dues, but did not put info into the directory, so I cannot give them access.
 - 91% of students are in the directory
 - Read-a-thon shirts/ Field Day shirts go home tomorrow or wednesday, hoping for tomorrow but have to wait until the order is complete

- o Students wear their shirts on Thursday for Reading Night
- NEW BUSINESS
 - o 6:00-7:30 p.m. Family Reading Night- Mrs. Evangelisti
 - PTO and Heritage purchased a site license for Goosechase
 - 5 Picture books that teachers will be reading to their students
 - Families will complete a scavenger hunt using the app, Goosechase
 - Clues will be on the doors that the teachers decorated
 - Also, there is time for read and feed with families
 - o Craft Boutique- Janene Huntley
 - Need to confirm who is running this event. Looking for a co-chair for this event.
 - The date is December 3rd, from 9-2
 - Santa will
 - Where to apply funds made from the event?
 - o Family Restaurant Nights- Janene Huntley
 - October- parent teacher pizzas
 - Runza- November
 - o Conference Pizzas- Take and Bake- Janene Huntley
 - Papa Murphys- will sell large and family sized pizzas
 - Orders due by October 11th
 - o Adopt the lounge- Beth Tefft
 - Please sign-up to stock the lounge with treats for the staff members.
 - The sign-up is posted online at myschoolanywhere
 - An email reminder will be emailed to membership
 - o Teacher Wish Lists- Sarah Addink
 - 2016-17 Wish list book is in the office and a copy is on the PTO Website
 - o Room Parent Coordinators Update- Beth Tefft
 - Beth will contact RPCs soon
 - Still looking for RPCs and party leaders
 - o Conference Meals-Tina Bishop
 - PTO will provide the meals on Wednesday, October 19th of parent teacher conferences
 - The meal will be catered
 - o Assemblies-Sarah Addink
 - Omaha Street Percussion, December 21st at 10:30 a.m.
 - o Box Tops- Amy Sempek
 - Will count box tops at the October meeting, please stay to help
 - Need 12 containers
 - o Spirit Days→Melissa Beck
 - Next Spirit Day scheduled for October 7
 - 6 Winners on the first spirit days
 - o Accelerated Reading Updates→Cheri Snell
 - Stocked the cart because OTC had a 40% off discount
 - o Book Swap Update- Jenny Kuller
 - Had a lot of books donated

- Students are excited to turn in their tickets to swap a book
 - Book Swap is every Wednesday
- Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/HeritageElementaryPTONEbraska>
- PTO Website: www.HeritageElementaryPTO.weebly.com
- Next PTO meeting will take place **October 17, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the Heritage Elementary Library**
- Adjourn- 7:23 p.m.