

NEPTO Minutes from January 18, 2017

The meeting was opened by Tina.

Administration report by Mr. RaHS: The school was celebrating their week of peace. For the children to help recognize the ways that are not right in the world. For ways to come together. We always encourage kids to talk about it with their parents, because topics always come up. Their showing a video on Friday that will probably offend some, but may help the children with what they are hearing and seeing on TV. It's always a week that we try to promote acting in a positive way with peace. Hopefully they can change the world for the better. Today the kids wore sunglasses to "Block Out The Hate."

The making period ended today. We are in the second half of the year starting now. We try to encourage the children to do their best. The PSSA's are later this year and we are trying to figure that all out. For the 8th grade parents, the orientation will be a week from tonight at Liberty High School. They should have received a flyer regarding that. It will also be on the Sunday Shoutout. Also for 8th grade parents there will be a presentation by the police and the Department of Health and Human Services are joining to present, at Northeast, a program about Opioid abuse. This is also opened to the public.

He asked how many of the parents are going online to check on their students grades. For the parents at the meeting some are and some are not. He also asked about Schoology. Most parents do not, because we do not have a code we have to use the student's code. The district is trying to make a decision between using paper or going all electronically. The mid-quarter grades had close to a 1000 views, which had to be both parents and students. He asked because they are trying to take a few steps forward and not leave any parents in the dark. He doesn't want parents to feel that they are not be communicated with who do not have access. Report cards will be distributed on Friday the 27th. Honor roll students will be going roller skating.

Tina is thinking about doing a magnet to send out to honor roll students saying, "I'm a proud parent of an honor roll student at Northeast Middle school." She is not sure if there will be enough time to get them done for this semester.

Kiera: We had a good first semester. We donated 35 turkeys and 15 hams. Everything was through the Thanksgiving drive. Thank you to all the parents who contributed.

Title 1 was mentioned.

Treasurer's report: November: Income \$1262.00 and expenses \$645.67. December: Income \$461.18 (because there was no dance income, but we still had to pay for the D.J. \$225) expenses \$1,056.10.

Pac report: At the January meeting the big topic was: BASD social media and communication tools. They also put out a flyer looking for language guides. Some languages are Arabic, Chinese and Korean.

Dances: Next dance is January 27, which is a Mini-thon. Liberty students will be in charge of that, they will be given goody bags out and in charge of prizes. The February dance will be at Liberty and will be Semi-formal. The tickets are \$8.00 and we will be raffling off tickets at the January dance to try and get attendance up, because Ice skating has started and that brings the attendance at the dances down.

8th grade dance theme is Mardi -Gras and will be held May 19th. They are looking for volunteers to help with the dance.

Eats Out: The total from December at Dairy Queen was \$132 and for January at Perkins was \$200. 5 Guys is scheduled for February 21 from 3pm to 10pm. You will need a flyer and we will receive 20%.

Fundraiser: Kicks off February 16 and runs till March 2. This fundraiser is soup and cookies. Delivery will be March 28 from 3pm to 5pm.

Snack stand: They would like to get volunteers to help out. It is doing really well. They are thinking about putting a sink in the snack stand, which will make it easier than running to different locations to get water. They purchased an air fryer, which they have made french fries, mozzarella sticks and pierogies.

Open positions: Teacher appreciation, Hornet newsletter, Dance committee, Family fun\movie night, 8th grade farewell chair, and Donations from businesses.

No old business.

New business: High School Administration team will be at Northeast on April 5. Liberty is trying to make it more exciting for the students who are moving up. The 8th grade students will be shadowing Liberty students all morning and having lunch at the school.

The next meeting is February 15.

The meeting was adjourned.