

Holland Road PTA

Meeting Minutes November 16, 2020

Meeting held virtually through Zoom

Attendance

Carol-Anne (Mrs. Larade)
Joanna O.
Jamie A.
Regan

Corey
Jennifer T.
Christina

Principal Update

Students are doing well with new procedures but are getting tired of the additional measures- especially on days where the weather keeps them inside.

SAC is looking at feasibility of handwashing stations.

HRES Student support grant is approx. \$7,800, which can be used for technology and for outdoor school improvement and playscape. Student Success planning board account also provided funds for teacher classroom needs.

We had several teachers volunteer to stain the outdoor classrooms; we are just waiting for clear weather days.

Halloween bus parade by PTA was well liked by the kids. Will have to repeat this every year.

Remembrance day was celebrated with rock painting and placement around the school, a commemorative video, and a moment of silence.

Class pictures have not been distributed yet. We are waiting for approval by all parents who we need consent from for media release.

Financial Update

No change to finances since last meeting.

Yearbook

Will parents still want a yearbook. Is it still possible to be done? It would be shorter than previous yearbooks. Carol Anne will look into whether it is permitted.

Holiday Events

Looking for ideas for the holidays for children at HRES. Thoughts are:

1. Mosaic decorations by each class involving parts made by each student.
2. Christmas trees at the school where each child adds their own decorations.
3. Video clips of parents singing Christmas carols/ digital Christmas cards from Moms and Dads.
4. Santa window visits to the school.
5. Elf on the shelf in each classroom.
6. Videos of Christmas stories being read to share at school – either by parents or by librarian.
7. A celebration for teachers – such as lunch out – in place of individual teacher gifts which are not permitted.

PTA Fundraising

At this point we are not permitted to fundraise to avoid additional financial strain on families.

Future PTA meeting dates

January 14, 2021 (Thursday) at 6:30 by zoom