


**PTO GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, September 12, 2018 / 9:30a**

Item	Discussion	
Welcome Breakfast	9:30 – 9:45	
PTO Welcome Back	Welcome Back! Thank you to those involved in the kick-off to the 2018-2019 school year! It is going to be a fantastic year at Mt. Horeb!	
Mr. Cook	<p>Brief Overview of items discuss:</p> <p>Staff Introduction, Updated Faculty Room, The Whole Child, Review of Emergency Procedure, Principal’s Council (Lunch with Mr. Cook once a month), PARCC (we do not “teach to the test”), 6 day schedule (allows for PE 3 out of 6 days), Volunteer for the PTO, School Climate Activities, a “Teamwork” approach, Emergency Drills (if you are on site, assist Mt. Horeb staff and follow instructions), Effective Ways to Work with Children (Accept each child as s/he is)</p> <p>While at school, please remember ... What you hear and see at school is confidential. Act and dress appropriately, set a good example, be a role model.</p> <p>Review of HIB, school conduct, and bullying.</p> <p>Library: Review of mold situation. Resulted from a malfunctioning air conditioning unit. Small matter that we are addressing</p>	<p>Volunteer Presentation can be viewed at the Warrantboe.org website. If you were unable to attend the PTO meeting, please view the Presentation, complete the Volunteer Form and submit to Mrs. Trenson in the main office</p>
Referendum Up for VOTE January 22, 2018	<p>Certain capital improvements are required to buildings in the district and will be undertaken. The District will receive approximately 34% of the project costs from the state if the referendum passes ... so, a vote “yes” is a vote for 34% of the project to be funded by the state (instead of through district reserves) ... FREE MONEY for capital improvements.</p>	<p>Please vote and encourage your friends to vote!</p>
PTO Update		
Committees Open Chair Positions	<p>Please consider volunteering ... we cannot run these important and amazing programs without your help!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Book Fair – Miranda Chibwe and Paula Suarez - Trunk or Treat – Paula Suarez and Melissa Schlow - Yearbook – Co-Chair from 5th Grade – Maryanne Dubois and Miranda Chibwe 	<p>Thank you for volunteering!!</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teacher Appreciation – Carolyn Bolcar and Rachel Schneiderman - Beautification – Alexandra Kerner - Bingo – Miranda Chibwe and Darlene Carter - Five A Day – Alexandra Kerner - School Garden Schedule – Darlene Carter (email schedule)
Food Days	<p>Food service begins September 17th. Ordering for next cycle opens October 11th. E-blast of volunteer list will be circulated to assist in finding substitutes when needed. Please remember – once a cycle closes, orders cannot be adjusted.</p> <p>Vendor Status: Turf and Surf cancelled just before school started. We are exploring alternate vendors who provide food service to schools in the district to allow for an expedited roll-out for the next cycle.</p> <p>Inclement Weather Days: A food day may be cancelled if snow is predicted. If this should occur, you will receive an e-blast and a food day credit.</p>
After School Programs	<p>On the Court – Basketball. Open to 1 – 5th now. Open to K starting with January session.</p> <p>Lacrosse – Equipment will be provided but you can BYO</p> <p>Gotta Dance – Hip Hop</p> <p>Girls on the Run – Girls 3rd to 5th grade. Sushama and Melinda from Central.</p> <p>Somerset 5k on November 18.</p> <p>Soccer – K – 3 grades</p>
PTO Membership, Donation, and Directory	<p>Please join the PTO! Entitles you to a Free Directory! We are working to have the Directory completed as soon as possible.</p> <p>Please donate to the PTO. The bulk of PTO funds are sourced from donations and Food Days.</p> <p>Please consider donating! Check with your employer for matching funds (Mt. Horeb is a tax exempt organization)</p>
Upcoming Events	Reminder ... No school Wednesday, Sept. 19
Back to School	Thursday, September 20 th
Camp Riverbend Event	<p>Saturday, September 22 / 2 – 5 PM</p> <p>PTO sponsored event (FREE!)</p>
Picture Day	Tuesday, September 25 th
Trunk or Treat	<p>Friday, October 26th</p> <p>AWESOME EVENT! Cars to set up by 6p / Children arrive at 6:30</p>
Halloween Parade	Tuesday, October 31 st
Budget	Update
School Spirit Wear	All new offerings! Distressed hats, long and short sleeve shirts, etc. PTO receives

	<p>a small portion of purchase price. Please submit your order by September 27th. With merchandise to be received 2 weeks following. Land's End is still available but no direct benefit to the PTO</p>
Website	All kinds of great things at MtHorebPTO.org
Coupon Book	Coupon Books: Awesome value!! Now on-line as well PTO receives 50% of the proceeds. If you u
Yearbook	Discussion of including pre-school in Yearbook.
Additional Meetings (Start times estimated)	10:45: Committee and Food Day Meeting (30 Min) 11:40: HR Parent Lunch – 1 st Lunch 12:15: HR Parent Lunch – 2 nd Lunch

By:  _____
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Secretary

Dated: 10/4/18



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PTO General Meeting

Sign In Sheet

Date: 09/12/2018

NAME
Cheryl Kam
Merida Hazari
Cindy Noh
Jen Connolly
Melissa Schlaw
Shannon Battiste
Heloise Santos
Laura Kelly
MLA Downin
Cardyn Bolcar
Rachel Singleton
Diane Moon
Sushama Sekkar
Paula Suarez
Sheralyn Horn
Danielle Dana
Tammie Wood
Nicky Tom
Rachel Schneiderman
MIRANDA CHIBWE
Angie Bateh

NAME
Jaclyn Gibson
Jennifer Armento
Jennifer Star Babbitt
FARMAN MOLETTA
Rongrong Xu
Stacie Mawel
Chele Rosen
Nyhan Vestillo
Sandy Coyne
Vicki Armenti
Irina Kay
Toni Ann Waters
Ronyn Laskowitz
Hori Clar
Jen Siefert
Alexandra Kerner