

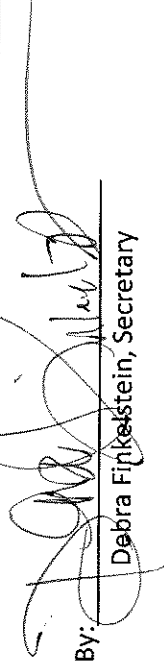
PTO GENERAL MEETING
November 28, 2018
MINUTES

Attendance: Board, Mr. Cook, Dr. Mingle, PTO General Membership per attached.

Item	Discussion	
<p>Dr. Mingle</p>	<p>Presentation.</p> <p>Referendum: In brief, certain capital improvements (updates / upgrades) are required to buildings and this project will be undertaken by the district. If the referendum passes, the district will receive approximately 34% of the cost of this project from the state. If the referendum does not pass, this project will be funded through district reserves. In sum, "yes" is a vote for the state to fund 34% of the project ... which is FREE MONEY for the district for capital improvements. If the referendum passes, the money saved can be used for other needed capital expenses.</p> <p>In our building—boilers and pumps (heat and air). Units are 15 years past their useful life and the maintenance staff has been phenomenal. We are at a point where a replacement is needed b/c if the units fail, we cannot open school. So, for example, if the measure passes, we can replace the boilers and pumps and replace the windows. If the measure does not pass, we will still have to replace the boilers and pumps, but we will not have the funds available to replace the windows.</p>	<p>Vote is on January 22, 2019 Polls open at 6a.</p> <p>Lines are expected to be short, as this is the only item up for vote. You can request a mail-in ballot.</p> <p>Please vote YES on January 22nd</p>
<p>Mr. Cook</p>	<p>PARCC – 4th administration of PARCC. Less about memorization. More about application of skills like thinking, reasoning and justifying answers. Review of PARCC scores. Mt. Horeb scores are improving. We have been and remain ahead of State and PARCC average. And we are closing the gap with the district average. In 2018 we achieved our highest passing percentage since inception in 4 of 6 grade levels / subjects.</p>	<p>PARCC testing dates: Grades 3 – 5: May 13 through 17 Grade 5: May 20 and 21 NJASK for Science</p>

	<p>Our scores continue to move in the right direction. Next step, how can these results help us further refine our craft? There are upcoming meetings w/ staff to analyze the data and determine where we did well, and where we need to improve.</p> <p>Career Expo was great! ALT participated and it was a huge success.</p> <p>Volunteer Reminder: No photographs and no video while volunteering unless you are on Yearbook or the Photography Committee. While we appreciate your enthusiasm and joy, photos and videos are against district policy. In addition, please stay at your volunteer station. If you are at Book Fair, please stay at Book Fair and do not try to have an impromptu meeting with a staff member.</p>	
By-Laws	<p>By-Laws were previously distributed and are available at the Mt Horeb PTO website, MtHorebPTO.org. To view the By-Laws, go to the "Our PTO" drop-down, click "Bylaws" (last item), and double-click the Mt. Horeb PTO Bylaws hyperlink.</p>	<p>Motion: Debra Finkelstein Second: Chel Rosen / Cindy Noh Passed Unanimously.</p>
Directory	<p>To be distributed this week with a bonus and FREE "Excuse Pad".</p>	
Committee Chairs And ... Volunteer!	<p>Chairs needed ASAP for ...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Patriots Game: Electronic RSVP can be made available. ALT is asking for our volunteer - KidsStuff Coupon Book <p>Please VOLUNTEER!</p>	
Past Events	<p>Book Fair, Career Expo</p>	
Future Events	<p>Movie Night: December 7 – Ferdinand. 6:45 check-in with a 7:15 start time. It is NOT a drop off event. Please RSVP for planning purposes.</p> <p>Holiday Boutique: Planned quickly to get it in for Chanukah. Kids will be able preview Monday afternoon and shop Tuesday and Wednesday.</p>	<p>Holiday Boutique schedule not set yet. Will be distributed as soon as it is available.</p> <p>Please send in your money on Tuesday</p>

	<p>Items cost between \$1 and \$10. This is not a fundraiser and items are sold at cost. A fun event for the kids. Will be set up in Room 4A. Flyer will be distributed</p> <p>International Day: Meeting December 13 at 9:30. Professional Photographer will be on site (we have a professional one day a year)</p> <p>Author's Day: Jarrett Krosoczka . Star Wars / Jedi Academy series sold at Book Fair. Very excited!</p>	and Wednesday.
BOE Meetings	<p>Next meeting is December 11th Discussing affordable housing development (location, impact on schools, etc.). May also premier the district-wide video. Parents encouraged to attend</p>	
Next PTO Meeting	<p>Wednesday, January 16th Based on parent requests, this meeting will be held from 7:00p to 8:00p at Mt. Horeb</p>	
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By: 
 Debra Finkelstein, Secretary

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