

October 16, 2012 Nashua PTA Meeting

In Attendance

Christy Boyer	Stephanie Edemann	Meredith Lamb
Sandi Brown	Craig Grant	Edie Buchanan
Erica Campbell	Donna Shepard	Lee Beaver
Kelly Cowan	Stephanie O'Connell	Heidi Hiebert
Jessica Martin	Brandi Frazier	Stacy Armstrong
Paula Shaw	Stephanie Simpson	Paige Roberts
Jennifer Robert	Billi Erickson	Sharon Watts
Heather Howard	Polly Feigly	Heather VanDam

Opening

Member introductions, May Meeting Minutes.

Guest speaker Jill Smith hands out a sheet of Library information to parents which gives students access to many different sites from home as well as the ability to put together a reading wish list at the Nashua Library.

Principal's Report

Dr. Martin distributes and gives an overview of her Principal's Report.

Also announcements regarding the State Farm Celebrate My Drive and Staley High School winning \$100,000. All four feeder elementary schools as well as New Mark Middle School will receive \$2,500.

Dr. Martin also gives an overview of a project that Nashua is taking part in with Hallmark Corporation using Text Bands.

Secretary/Facebook Update

Sandi Brown give announcements that have been posted on the PTA Facebook page including dates for music programs, photos of the mulch around the trees, yearbook upload information etc.

Discussion: CD Players

Sandi Brown explains that she and Liana Shelley have worked to try to get teachers CD Player/Boombboxes through our free rewards programs. However, these CD Players can be very expensive through Staples; using almost two months of vouchers and our other programs have not provided what was shown in the past.

Teachers want CD Players to set up listening stations in their classrooms for books on CD. The idea being that with one CD Player and a splitter, several students can be participating at a listening station while reading the book. Listening to books and following along with the actual books teaches, vocabulary, fluency, expressionism and can give a student a better understanding of the story.

After researching Target, Best Buy, Sam's, Sears, and Wal-Mart for CD Players... the best prices are at Wal-Mart. Wal-Mart has no restocking fees and offers a two year replacement warranty for \$5.

After discussion, it is determined that more information is needed to discuss voting on spending funds to provide CD Players to teachers who need them. Sandi will continue to do research and come back with more information.

Book Fair Update

Christy Boyer gives a quick overview of the upcoming Book Fair and reminds volunteers to check the website or with her for the times that they have volunteered.

Paula Shaw asked what the cost of a Book Fair is to the PTA. Christy explains that PTA takes \$500 profit from each fair.

Christy also gives information on signing up for Storia (on website from Scholastic) and pre-orders for the new Diary of a Wimpy Kid.

Fundraiser Reminder

Fundraiser pickup dates and time reminder.

Meeting Adjourned