

# **Nashua PTA Meeting September 16, 2014**

## **In Attendance**

Sandi Brown	Jerilee Hendrich	Jennifer Walters
Eva Payne		Meredith Lamb
Lindsey Doolittle	Alana Snyder	Jeanene Morris
Emily Garrett	Heidi Hiebert	Stacy Armstrong
Anna Miceli	Billi Erickson	Catherine Munson
Polly Feigly	Lindsay Barnes	Melissa Dieker
Kelly Cowan	Margie Vroom	Heather Stukey
Carol Cobb	Sharon Watts	Liana Shelley
Rhianna Elkins		

## **Opening**

Meeting called to order.

## **Principal's Report**

Mrs. Stukey presented a short verbal report. Nashua has a new staff member named Amanda Reeder, a Special Ed IA.

## **Officer Elections**

Jennifer Walters was elected to be the PTA Treasurer for the 2014-15 and 2015-16 school years.

## **Treasurer's Report**

A formal report was not presented. Jennifer Walters explained that reimbursement and invoice payment requests will not be processed if the new form is not attached to the receipt or invoice. The 2014-15 big ticket budget was shared and explained.

## **Committee Reports**

Melissa Dieker gave a bookfair update. The fall bookfair will be held 10/20-10/24. Late days will be held on 10/21 and 10/23. A Sign-up Genius link will be sent out to obtain volunteers.

Jen Walters gave a Fall Fundraiser update. The fundraiser assembly was held 9/16. The fundraiser continues through 9/30, and products will be in and ready for pick up at the end of October.

Liana Shelley gave a Labels update. Nashua has received \$100 in donations from local businesses, and those donations will be applied toward items on

the teacher's wish lists. A sign-up sheet was distributed for volunteers to help with sorting labels. Liana will contact those volunteers as needed.

Sharon Watts presented a membership update. Roughly 100 new individual memberships and 4 business memberships have been received.

Linda Burtis (absent) will be creating the PTA newsletter this year. The deadline for entry may be the Friday after the PTA meetings.

Jeanene Morris provided a NKCSO School Board update. She attended the meeting on 9/9/14. The district will be providing free immunizations and dental care for students who qualify. Also, the STEM offerings will be expanded this year.

Heidi Hiebert spoke about staff appreciation. October is walk/bike to school month, so she is working on something for that. Also, meals will be provided to teachers during parent/teacher conference week. Nashua Baptist Church will be assisting again this year.

Sandi Brown gave a Staples update. Nashua still needs people to purchase ink at Staples using one of Nashua's reward numbers. In exchange, we receive rewards that are used for PTA supplies and if money allows, sometimes teacher supplies are purchased. Sandi is the contact for questions about ink purchases.

Emily Garrett advised that a group of volunteers are meeting on Saturday, 9/20, at 9am to put mulch around the trees. Volunteers are needed. She also needs somebody with a truck to deliver the mulch to the school. Full Features was not able to donate this year, so we are getting the mulch donated from MO Organic.

## **New Business**

Sandi Brown motioned for the PTA to purchase a locking inbox/mailbox for incoming PTA funds. The box will be mounted outside of the office. The PTA will spend no more than \$50 out of the big ticket fund to purchase it. Jen Walters was the second. Motion passed.

Jen Walters motioned for the PTA to reimburse Nashua for a power washer for the Nashua facility manager to use at the school. The PTA will reimburse up to \$400 maximum from the big ticket fund for the power washer. Emily Garrett was the second. Motion passed.

Heidi Hiebert motioned for the PTA to reimburse Ms. Doolittle up to \$300 from the big ticket fund for the purchase of how to draw books for the art room. Sandi Brown was the second. Motion passed.

## **Sunshine Committee**

Rhianna Elkins volunteered to chair a new Sunshine Committee. This committee will be in charge of purchasing gifts for Nashua staff members who experience one of the following 4 events: Birth or adoption of a child, wedding, death in his/her immediate family, or retirement. In addition, the principal will receive a gift if he/she leaves. These events may take place any time within the school year or summer. The PTA will spend \$40 maximum per event. For the 2014-15 school year, funds will be pulled from the Big Ticket budget should an event occur. Beginning next year, a new line item will be written into the budget for the Sunshine Committee.

Heidi Hiebert motioned for the PTA to allocate \$200 from the Big Ticket fund to be used for the Sunshine Committee during the 2014-15 school year per the guidelines outlined above. Any unused funds are to be rolled back into the budget. Jen Walters was the second. Motion passed.

## **Carnival**

The annual school carnival was discussed. The consensus for many of the attendees present at the meeting was that the carnival was too much work and not enough people are volunteering to run it smoothly and efficiently. Parents prefer to have a community event that will provide a way for them to work less and spend more time with their children and family. A sign-up was sent around for committee volunteers to discuss some different options. A movie night with games (ex. kickball) and concessions (popcorn, pizza, etc.) or a school dance were a couple of the alternatives discussed. Many of the attendees reiterated that there definitely needs to be a social component within the event, as that is what the students really look forward to.

## **Announcements**

The next PTA meeting will be held on the second Tuesday in October (10/14/14) vs. the third Tuesday due to parent teacher conference schedules during the third week.