

# New Hope-Solebury Elementary School Home and School Association General Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011

## **Call to order:**

President Donna Zalewski called to order the New Hope-Solebury Elementary school home and school association general meeting at 10:10am on October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at the Upper Elementary School.

## **Roll call:**

Those in attendance at the meeting were Donna Zalewski, Adrienne Duessing, Erika Goodyear, Jennifer Primavera, Beth Keating, Dr. Jan Kaufman, Kristina Rago, Donna Marshall, Hannah Cannon, and Ellen Stiefel

## **Treasurer report:**

No current treasure report was available.

## **Correspondence:**

No correspondence to discuss.

## **President's report:**

Donna Zalewski reported on teacher grants received so far by the H.S.A. from staff at both the UES and LES. It was decided to discuss these in detail at a later meeting amongst board members, where budget and fundraising will be discussed to determine which grant requests can be granted. A check for \$500 was submitted to both the U.E.S. and the L.E.S. by the H.S.A. to fund Helping Hands. The guidance counselors at each school distribute these funds to children in need.

### **Vice President report, LES**

Adrienne Duessing reported on the Boxtop competition underway at the L.E.S. So far, over \$300 has been raised. The same program is to be set up at the U.E.S. and will be explained at a town meeting in a couple of weeks. The L.E.S. teacher luncheon is to be held on November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### **Upcoming events:**

Spiritwear sale is coming soon and flyers will be coming home via backpack mail and list serve. Any questions, please contact Erika Goodyear at [erikagoodyear@hotmail.com](mailto:erikagoodyear@hotmail.com).

Trunk or Treat plans are nearing completion. Approximately 18 trunks are currently confirmed. Small prizes are still needed for giveaways. If you are able to donate prizes for this event, please send in small non-food treats in with your child to be dropped off at the U.E.S. office.

The Kidstuff book fundraiser is now complete. Please return any books you do not intend to purchase back to school with your child or submit payment as soon as possible. Approximately \$3,200 has been raised so far for our schools by this fundraiser. The H.S.A. thanks all of those who participated in this fundraiser.

Sally Foster gift wrap fundraiser will begin next week at both schools. This will be an online sale only, so please spread the word to family and friends who can purchase items and have them shipped directly to their home. Our schools make 40% of all purchases.

### **Principal's report:**

**U.E.S.-**Principal Amy Mangano spoke of long-term projects that she would like to see get underway at the U.E.S. that could benefit from H.S.A. funding. These include renovations to the playground area, including possibly creating a pavilion and picnic table area adjacent to the present playground area. She would also

like to continue to utilize recent technology, specifically speaking of the iPads that are presently benefitting the U.E.S. that were purchased last year with an H.S.A. donation.

**L.E.S.**-Principal Ken Silver spoke of the November 1<sup>st</sup> Education Fund dinner and requested any parents with L.E.S. students that might be interested to please attend the dinner to find out what the Ed. Fund is all about and how they might be able to help support it. He also spoke of the ongoing drainage issues with the playground at the L.E.S. and that the playground is supposed to be on the agenda at the next facilities committee meeting.

**Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 10:10.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jennifer Primavera, Secretary