

Captain Nathan Hale Middle School
Parent Teacher Organization

Minutes
April 6, 2010

Activity

Our guest speakers were Paul Noel and Ray Eldridge. They spoke about the need to purchase AED's (Automatic External Defibulator) for the schools. They currently have 2 available but they need to purchase 4 more due to new regulations effective 7/1/10. They are concerned about the liability of not having these in the event of an emergency. The estimated cost is \$1,295. Some staff members are trained in their use; however more would need to be trained. Someone needs to know how to use one at each event. In addition, the cost for certification is \$12 a person. . The PTO hopes to raise money towards the purchase of a defibulator at our spring fundraiser. The other schools are being asked to participate as well.

Business

Secretary's Report: The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's report

Beginning balance	\$5,691.93
Expense	1,606.71
Income	<u>00.00</u>
Ending Balance	\$4,085.22

No committed funds

Expenses were as follows:
Microwave for the teachers lounge \$78.07
Box Top Mailings \$28.64
8th Grade Dance \$1,500

The following allocations were approved at the meeting:

- \$110 for ice pops for the walk-a-thon
- \$100 for teacher's appreciation lunch

Principals Report

Michele began by thanking Sue and Margie for their work in planning the walk-a-thon. She told us then about several other goings on

- Students participated in the district ***History Day Competition*** held at Manchester High School. I Three 7th graders placed 1st, two 8th graders placed 2nd and one 8th

grader placed 1st in various categories. They will compete in the CT History Day event in Hartford on May 8th.

- Four 6th grade students were chosen; after auditions, to perform at the **CT Music Educators Association Conference** being held at the CT Convention Center on April 9th with Mr. Gibbs.
- One of our **Future Problem Solvers** teams placed 1st in the recent State Conference.
- \$2,027 was raised by staff and students for the **Haitian Health Foundation**.
- There will be a dance on April 23rd from 7-9:30.
- There was also a dance held on March 26th to raise money for the High School Girls Basketball Team.
- **5th Grade Orientation** will be held on May 17th. This will be a day time visit for about 1 ½ to 2 hours. The guidance counselors will be running this. They will also be invited to the drama production.
- May 24th will an **Orientation for Parents** of children moving from 5th to 6th grade. The PTO will be involved at this meeting.
- A program is currently being run by Mrs. Nugent and Mrs. Hendrickson to support parents in helping them know how to work with kids. This started on March 30th and another meeting is coming up on April 13th.
- In May there will be a spring drama performance and concert,

Current Business:

Walk-a-thon on 4/23/10:

Sue Dolan spoke about the details. She has met with Scott and Michele and forms were handed out during lunch. Scott “talked” it up. This will take place during the last 2 periods of the day. To promote school spirit ,they are encouraging students to wear green and yellow as well as funny hats. Mr. Brown agreed to do the music. 5 students from each grade level and 10 staff members were chosen to wear pedometers for a contest to see who walks more. The Schweitzer club will be making posters to advertise the event. CEP will work on “fun Facts”. Ice pops will be provided in the cafeteria after they finish walking. A letter will be sent home to parents to invite them to attend as well.

Staff Appreciation Tuesday May 4, 2010

Monies were allocated to buy subs from Subway. Beth Ennis will look into this. Desserts and other food will be provided by volunteers. Sue Dolan will send out an e-mail.

8th Grade Dance Friday June 4, 2010

This is being coordinated by Sue Mike and Karyn Debtulla. The theme is top secret!

8th Grade Promotion Ceremony Tuesday June 22, 2010 Refreshments will be provided.

Next Meeting Tuesday May 4, 2009.

Guest speakers will be Deb Page and Elaine Thornton to speak about world language.