

Gallup Hill School PTO Meeting Minutes January 2, 2013

PTO BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE Start time 5:35

Dr. Austen, Dawn Sullivan, Samantha Bray-Smith, Denise Dittrich, Alyssa McIntyre

PRINCIPALS REPORT

Dr. Austen reviewed GHS safety procedures and some changes in routine that reflect more precautions to ensure that we are doing all we can to keep our school safe. You may find GHS safety procedures at this link- <http://www.ledyard.net/schools/ghs/newsletters/Jan2013.pdf>

In addition to what is listed in the above link the following items were also discussed.

~ Rhonda Church is our official GHS greeter. She will at the front door during high traffic times opening the doors, checking ID's, forward people to the office when needed.

~ All staff are wearing their school ID badges and volunteers are asked to wear volunteer stickers found in the office when you sign in.

~ specials boxes in each classroom that contain water, lollipops, snacks etc. to help the kids stay quite during a lockdown will be reviewed.

TREASURES REPORT

Checking account balance as of 12/31/12- 3,637.75

Savings account for library balance as of 12/31/12- 4,191.20

OLD NEWS /UPDATES

Cafetorium has been completed and all children are now eating in the cafetorium 5 days a week.

Gift wrapping at the Crystal Mall was fun! This year \$349.94 was raised and will go towards our PS43 school in Queens effected by Hurricane Sandy. Tentative dates for next year are Dec.12&19, 2013.

Rollerskating went well and we encourage more families to join us for our next GHS Family Skate Night on April 17, 2013 , 5pm-7pm at Galaxy Roller-rink in Groton CT. This is a private party for GHS families, the rink is not open to the public during this time.

GHS Read-a-Thon will begin with Book Swap collections between 2/4/13-2/8/13 and the actual Read-a-Thon beginning 2/16/13-3/7/13. The Read-a-Thon will benefit classroom field trips. More details to come.

Winter Wonderland Family Dance is Jan 25, 2013. \$10 per family, includes pizza, drinks, popcorn, dessert. RSVP by Jan.22, 2013.

Kindle Fire raffle ticket sales will take place during the month of January. The drawing will take place at the end of our Winter Wonderland Dance on Jan.25, 2013. Tickets are \$2 each; each student at GHS can buy up to 5 tickets.

Gertrude Hawk fundraiser begins 1/23/13. -2/13/13

GHS is adopting a school in Queens NY, PS43. We will be collecting socks, shoes, ink cartridges and gently used coats/jackets.

Sincerely, Denise Dittrich

