

AMES PTA
Meeting Minutes
October 21, 2016

- I. Call to order – 8:27 AM
- II. Approve Minutes from Sept 23, 2016
 - a. 1st motion – Katie Kowal
 - b. 2nd motion – Laura Zaremba
 - c. All in favor
- III. Ames Staff – Mr. Bookler
 - a. Many thanks to the PTA including field trips
 - i. Trips give children experience and background knowledge
 - ii. Experience that some children would not otherwise have
 - b. 5th grade has studied electoral vote and popular vote by holding sample elections
 - c. 5th Grade Election Play in Gym on Friday, November 4th
 - i. 9:30-10:05 Mrs. Allen's class will perform for 2nd and 3rd grades
 - ii. 10:10-10:45 Mrs. Wright's class will perform for Kindergarten and 4th grade
 - iii. 10:50-11:25 Mr. Bookler's class will perform for 1st grade
- IV. Introduction of Superintendent Martha Ryan-Toye
 - a. Update on 92 Repton Rd property
 - i. Behind in schedule due to property going to foreclosure
 - ii. BOE will bid a foreclosure
 - iii. BOE still confident that the purchase of the property will go through
- V. Officer Reports
 - A. President – Kim Marrero
 1. Spirit Days will be 1st and 3rd Friday of the month. Winning class will have a dolphin stuffed animal for two weeks until the next Spirit Day.
 2. After school activities options
 - a. Mr. Gierman is open to helping the PTA bring more after-school activities to Ames
 - b. Some suggestions were: cooking, Let's Build It, language, athletics, options through Chess Scholars, options through YMCA
 - c. BOE would need to consider stipends for teachers that would want to offer activities or find another appropriate way for teachers to offer activities past their contracted day
 - d. Any suggestions for after-school activities, please contact a PTA board member
 - B. Secretary – Karen Nishimura
 1. Membership Cards/Directories should be delivered by Oct 28
 - C. Treasurer – Kirsten Bell
 1. Receipts and Disbursements update
 - a. \$6,000 in expenses
 - b. \$12,000 taken in (before fundraising costs paid out)
 2. Intend to move forward with the purchase of a portable speaker/sound system as a school gift
 - D. VP Cultural Arts & Educational Programs – Kim Marrero
 1. Halloween Assembly – Spooky Science provided by PTA
 2. Reflections update –
 - a. Approximately 30 students have expressed interest in participating
 - b.
 3. Artist in Residence update
 4. Historical Perspectives Assembly – tentative date is Mar 17
 - E. VP Fundraising & Events
 1. Spirit Wear was distributed this week. A second ordering period will be offered this year.
 2. First Fun Lunch is today!
 3. Brick Pavers – looking for new supplier of bricks
 4. Charleston Wrap – Preliminary sales \$7,600; Profit \$3,000+

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5. 5Bs BBQ Night report
6. Halloween Windows
7. Ongoing Fundraisers:
 - a. Amazon Smile
 - b. Box Tops/Labels for Education
 - c. Red Robin
 - d. Direct donation. Ask your employer to match your donation!

F. VP In School Volunteers

1. Need Assistant Room Reps for Hickey, Ohlman and Orlowski

G. VP Hospitality

1. Pizza with the Principal – negotiated a deal with Slice Factory, “Buy 1 Get 1 Free”

VI. New Business?

VII. Adjourn

Mark your calendars!

October

22 – Halloween Windows

26 – BBQ Night by 5Bs Catering

November

4 – Spirit Day and Fun Lunch

7 – Election Day Bake Sale

11 – Veteran’s Day Assembly

18 – Spirit Day, Fun Lunch and PTA Meeting

December

16 – Flying High Fundraiser/Parent’s Night Out