# Attendees

Kristen DeLuco, Jen Morhous, Jess Manger, Kara Herbertz, Rosanne Peterson, Kim Laster, Caitlyn Smith

# Agenda

## Introduction and Roll Call

* Kristen DeLuco called the meeting to order
* November 2016 minutes were approved

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## Principal’s Update

* Mr. Mulkerin was unable to attend tonight’s meeting

## Officer Updates

Treasurer

* 990.30 from BoxTops
* One outstanding check that Kara Herbertz is following up on
* $16,044.55 was deposited from Hale to completely merge the Center and Hale PTOs, which includes Hale’s Principal Fund
* Kara recently purchased a cash counter for use at all events

Fundraising

* Jen Morhous has started initial planning stage for Race for Education and brought a sign up sheet for people to sign up for a committee
* Jen will schedule a meeting with Ross Mulkerin to look at dates for Center
* It may not make sense for a large fundraising event to be planned for Hale this year while there is an interim principal at the middle school
* Integrated Preschool in Bolton did a Spiritwear event and Caitlyn Smith offered to share the information of the distributer that they used

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## Committee Updates

Arts & Cultural

* Kindergarten will have three events this year (Pumpernickle Puppets, Tanglewood Marionettes, Fossils/Dinosaurs)
* Second grade has Rainforest Reptile program in December
* Third grade had an author visit (Ray LaChance) in November
* Fourth grade had “In Good Company” last month and will have a science program at the end of January
* Fifth grade just scheduled Blue Star Planetarium for February
* World of Jump Roping will once again be an all school event in February
* Kara Herbertz just issued a check for the seventh grade’s bus trip to the Hanover Theater
* The Pre-K will be going to the Discovery Museum this week
* First grade is going to Theaterworks in March

Website/Facebook

* Jen Morhous created a committee via the website of room parents so that people are able to blast the group easily and quickly

Wishing Snowflakes

* Seemed to go smoothly
* Many people chose not to set up accounts and used the PTO’s dummy account
* Teachers will be able to use their accounts and lists that were created this year for the future

Social

* No update, next event is Donuts with Dad
* Caitlyn Smith is working with Jenn Lemaire; they will be picking a date soon

Staff Appreciation

* Jess Manger and Jackie Rogers will be organizing for the first week of May
* Will put out a committee sign up sheet at next meeting
* Will begin brainstorming themes in March

Box tops

* Kara Herbertz got a call from the Council of Aging that their box is full and she said she will go pick them up
* A reminder will be sent out soon to ask people to submit box tops before the next deadline in February
* Kara got a box tops box for Hale and set it up with a sign at the school

Project Prep

* Kim Laster said that there is only one open spot in January and February
* There are three new volunteers for this year, one that signed up via the new website
* Hale brought up whether Project Prep would be beneficial at the middle school

Volunteer Services

* Kristen DeLuco reported that Hale would definitely like to have some office help on a regular basis and will send out a sign up blast

Arts Buffet

* March 4, 2017
* Rosanne Peterson said that the Stow Cultural Council awarded Center a $300 grant for the Arts Buffet and highlighted the publicity requirements
* Rosanne reported that there were a lot of new parents in attendance at the initial planning meeting
* Kara Herbertz shared that the Stow Friends of Music offered to have the Center and Hale music teachers organize musical acts for the Arts Buffet
* Rosanne said that there will be early entrance again this year for kids who need a quieter, less chaotic environment (an hour before the official start time)

Lip Sync

* March 25, 2017

Picnic

* No update

No old or new business, no announcements

# Next Meeting - Monday, February 13,2017 at 9:30am – Hale