**Heritage Elementary PTO
January 11, 2024 General Meeting Minutes**

**I.** **Meeting was called to order** on January 11, 2024 at 9:50am by President Marisa Stacy. Meeting was held in person at Heritage Elementary.

**II. Bond Presentation:** Jeff Bardach, Public Information Officer, EPS. Jeff presented the highlights to the upcoming 2024 school bond vote on February 13th. Bond includes a new elementary and middle school, new freshman academy at Santa Fe high school, new transitions academy, as well as multiple improvements at most schools. Transportation improvements include new buses and smart tags for bus rider tracking. There is no planned tax increase, and the bond requires a 60% approval to pass.

**III. Motion to approve the Minutes** from the November PTO General Meeting by C. Hanks, 2nd by N. Moose.

**IV.** **Treasurer’s Report (Jessica White/Angela Engle)**We have a December ending balance of $132,786.44. With $1,261.90 in outstanding checks, $2,000 reserved for playground maintenance and $7,500 in required reserve, we now have $123,286.44 in available funds. Motion to approve by M. Avery, 2nd by C. Hanks.

**V. Vice Presidents: Melissa Avery & Caiti Hanks**

1. Fundraising a. Box Tops - $80.50.
 b. Restaurant Night
 i. No January Restaurant (Sky Zone – Jan 14th)
 ii. Food Trucks at Open House Nights from 5:00-7:30pm: Tuesday is Psycho Taco and Donut NV
 Thursday is Lucky’s and Freezing Cow

**VI. Communications (Diana Rice/Bethany Ford)** 1. Website & monthly newsletter (S’More) is handled by Diana. She will be including Volunteer
 Spotlights and Teacher/Staff Spotlights, so please submit via email (Heritage PTO). The S’More is posted
 every week on the PTO Facebook page, as well as emailed to everyone by Mrs. Frank.

 2. PTO Facebook page is Bethany’s area. We ask that you please be kind and encouraging in your posts, as we
 are all volunteers helping to make our school as great as it can be.

**VII. Committee Chairs** 1. Homeroom Heroes: Rhiannon Klier – Bulletin Boards/Pods with holiday décor need to come down ASAP,
 winter décor can stay till spring.

2. Decorations Committee: Bethanie Lied & Jacque Morrison – Sweetheart dance décor – need assistance

3. Teacher Hospitality: Natalie Moose – Open House Teacher Meal (Burrito Bar) – 2nd grade families for Feb 6th,
 3rd grade families for Feb 8th.

4. Spirit Squad: Rachel Lassiter
 i. Next Spirit Day is Jan 12th, popcorn signup genius posted for volunteers!
 ii. Spirit Day/Spirit Store is Feb 2th.

5. Workroom Pals: Allison Smith – extra copy paper is in the office if you need it. Please clean up after yourself!

6. VIP Event - Sweetheart Dance: Tasa Salyards. Ticket Sales Jan 22nd – Feb 6th, Dance on Feb 9th from 6-8pm.
 Some vendors in place, still need to confirm food and decorations.

7. Green Thumb: Need a committee chair ASAP, as Jessica White is moving out of state.

 **VIII. 2024 PTO Elections
 a. Immediate need for Treasurer,** to finish out the current school year.
 b. Election Committee – Mrs. Frank, Rachelle Burns, Angela Engle, Jackie Morrison and Sarah Obright will have a
 slate ready to be posted in March.
 c. Positions for Next Year – board openings include Vice President, Treasurer (due to vacancy), Secretary, and
 Communications. We will also have multiple committee chair openings.

 **IX. Upcoming Events** 1. 1/11 Sweetheart Dance meeting – immediately following this meeting

 2. 1/12 Spirit Day (Next one 2/2)

 3. 1/14 Sky Zone Heritage Fundraiser (1-7pm)

 4. 1/15 NO SCHOOL – MLK Day

 5. 1/16 Class/Club Photos (1/23 if school is remote due to weather)

 6. 2/5-2/9 Book Fair, 5:00-7:00pm

 7. 2/6 Open House for K ,2, 4, SpEd 5:30-6:30pm
 2/6 Open House for PK, 1, 3, 5 5:30 – 6:30pm

**X. New Business:** Mrs. Frank – Remote learning for inclement weather, emails from teachers will be sent out by 9am. Google Meets will be mandatory, to record attendance. Class/Club Photos on Tuesday, January 16th (or 23rd). Heritage Church of Christ will hold their last service in Heritage Elementary cafeteria on 1/14, as their new facility on Broadway is completed. Substitutes have been great! New incentives include a $100 bonus after 6 days of substituting.

**Meeting adjourned** at 10:45am, motion approved by M. Avery and 2nd by A. Engle.

Next PTO meeting will be February 6th @ 9:45am at Heritage.