

## PTO/PHACT Meeting Notes

7/26/16

Attending: Lisa LaBelle, Karen McElroy, Becky Gagne, Kim Martin, Darcy Baron, Brian Tedeschi, Tracey Dunn, Michelle Bolduc, Kathy Freed

Notes taken by Kathy Freed – Summarized and typed by Karen McElroy

- **Go Fund Me** - \$865 in 24 hours. 39 shares so far. Link GoFundMe page to Facebook page –
  - 🍏 **DONE by Michelle B** <https://www.facebook.com/parishhillpto/> and <https://www.gofundme.com/parishhillpto> (Update \$1200 as of 8/8/16)
  - 🍏 Michelle B. will withdraw every couple of hundred and deposit in PTO/PHACT account.
  - 🍏 Encouraged members to share as often as possible. Can be shared via email and Twitter as well as Facebook.
  - 🍏 Michael Smardon's work would like to donate @250 – thank you note will need to be sent after donation is made.
  - 🍏 Anonymous donation of \$750 – thank you was posted to PTO/PHACT website and Region 11 Website – Thank you Kim and Lisa!
  - 🍏 General thank you to all donors – Post thank you of Facebook Website. Lisa to complete.
- **Town Representatives** - Michelle Bolduc will be the Chaplin PTO/PHACT rep.
- **Painting** – Tedeschi spoke about removing floor tile – must follow asbestos protocol. Kim Martin's hubby works in the field – Kim gave Tedeschi his number
  - 🍏 Painting can begin Thurs/Fri 8am-10pm and Saturday. Sat/Sun 9am-3pm – per Tedeschi all rooms will be one color. School (McKenna) to provide all painting materials. Gallon on windy pine paint in basement from Michelle B. to paint girls room by gym.
  - 🍏 Lisa to post painting sign ups.
  - 🍏 Questions remain about painting outside.
  - 🍏 Try to obtain upperclassmen to assist painting.
  - 🍏 Painters will leave ongoing notes regarding room progress. (What has been and what needs to be painted)
- **PTO Website** – Kate Donnley wrote up statement on Supporters Site. However, group decided to wipe out old PTO/Supporters website and link to new PTO/PHACT Website to avoid confusion. Group agreed to link notes to website. Lisa to email Meghan [mbudd@parishhill.org](mailto:mbudd@parishhill.org). **DONE by Lisa L.**
- **Brooklyn Fair** – Karen L. discussed bringing charging station for cell phones for the community to use.

- 🍏 Kim M. – stated Cali can make stickers to give away. Also offered to have Cali make copies of flyer.
- 🍏 Brian Tedeschi said pamphlets are updated and he will make copies. Copies will be in color.
- 🍏 Lisa L. will ask Janet number of people who generally go through the fair over the long weekend.
- 🍏 Group discussed giving pamphlets only to those who may be interested.
- 🍏 Someone will consult Janice on carnival games.
- 🍏 Kathy F. will send pics to Lisa L. of the games from Hampton Block party.
- 🍏 Karen L. spoke about pricing. Details below.

ITEM	Amazon (Free Shipping with Amazon Prime)	Oriental Trading Company
Tattoos	\$5.79 – 144 tattoos	IN-39/1856 - \$4.99 – 72 tattoos
Pirate hats	\$4.83 – 1 dozen	IN-13713969 - \$9.99 – 1 dozen
Pirate eye patch	Adorox \$7.99 – 2 dozen	IN-25/4999 -\$3.98 – 1 dozen
Face Paint	Face Paint Kit For Kids By Bo Buggles - \$13.95 Dress Up America 12 Color Face Paint Safe & Non-Toxic Face and Body Crayons - \$8.99 Mudpuppy Pirates Ahoy! Starter Stencils - \$12.95	Poor ratings
ITEM	Size/Quantity/Price	Vendor
Car magnet	8.7" X 11.5" 20-\$240	VistaPrint
Window cling	3" x5" oval 100-\$4.79 each	www.buildasign.com
T-Shirt	Starting @ \$8.25	Custom Ink
Hats	Starting @ \$20.00	Custom Ink
Signs	36" X 48" - \$30 max reduces with quantity	VistaPrint
Window Decal	4.8" X 4.8" 50-\$200	VistaPrint
Water bottles	\$3.59 each when 100 are ordered	VistaPrint Promotional Product

- 🍏 Karen L. guessed about \$100 for face paint for 4 days - asked about quantity to order. Group discussed possibly 25% of total number of guests.
- 🍏 Darcy B. said that they have 50 water bottles that say Parish Hill the we can sell.
- 🍏 Lisa L. submitted application to the Brooklyn Fair on behalf of Parish Hill PTO/PHACT – cost at the moment \$550 with school insurance– we may get a discount so price may be less.
- 🍏 We can only sell what is on the application – water bottles, notebooks, pencils.
- 🍏 Tracy D. asked about possibly amending application to possibly have a donation jar for face painting and pictures. Tracy feels we should have this on the application.
- 🍏 Discussed having someone dress up as a pirate at the fair.
- 🍏 Kim M. suggested we make up cards explaining what the donations is for.

- 🍏 Darcy B. stated she thought the PTO got a banner for \$50 at Staples. Tracy D. getting price from T. Jacobson. Karen L. will look into Staples price. Michelle B. will ask Karen C. about Pirate sail price.
  - 🍏 Karen L. discussed possibly taking pictures w/pirate ship. Michelle B. and Lisa L. spoke about making personalized Parish Hill Frame to hold up when taking picture. **UPDATE: No people on boat and no pictures with people on the boat – only in front of it due to insurance.**
  - 🍏 Spoke about not selling anything but water bottles and getting donations for the rest.
  - 🍏 Waiting on numbers – then Karen L. will get prices on face painting, tattoos, etc...
  - 🍏 Kim B. spoke about skipping tattoos and just doing face painting and eye patches.
  - 🍏 Darcy B. spoke about ordering a roll of stickers. Karen will look into sticker pricing.
  - 🍏 Group decided to hold off on water bottles at this time and focus on face painting, pictures, charging station and possibly giving away water.
- **Future Fundraising**
    - 🍏 Karen L. spoke about Custom Ink opportunity to order t-shirts online with the possibility a portion of the money going to the school.
    - 🍏 Michelle B. spoke about Booster Club doing shirts – ordering shirts logo plus possibly “Go Pirates” – spoke about linking the Booster Club fundraiser - Focus on promoting Parish Hill (positive publicity). Booster Club meeting in Mid-August.
- **Willimantic 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday**
    - 🍏 Attended by the locals may be a good choice
    - 🍏 Perhaps order pencils in case we decide to do this at the last minute.
    - 🍏 Karen L. to look into ordering pencils or pens to have “just in case.”
    - 🍏 Next 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday is August 18<sup>th</sup> – week before the Brooklyn Fair – these Thursday’s end at the end of September. 6pm-9pm, 10 X 10 space – more than one can be purchased. \$30 processing fee-total cost would be \$50-\$70 – may do in September
    - 🍏 All members agreed to do in September with Ship – just Ship no tent w/ 10X10 space.
    - 🍏 Talk about further at a future meeting.
    - 🍏 Karen L. will price pens and pencils.
- **Putnam 1<sup>st</sup> Friday**
    - 🍏 Lisa L. gave info,
    - 🍏 Tracy reported very well attended-however most are Putnam folks.
    - 🍏 All agreed to skip Putnam 1<sup>st</sup> Fridays.
- **Yoga**
    - 🍏 Lisa L. Spoke about Yoga. Charge \$55
    - 🍏 \$50/class – 8 week session → \$56 or \$10 wal-ins
    - 🍏 Sheryl S. will handle this – will need to complete a building use form
    - 🍏 Location? Gym would be tough – maybe fitness room and use mats
    - 🍏 All agreed Sheryl will run this
- **Chaplin Mud Run**
    - 🍏 Spoke about getting involved
    - 🍏 Student volunteers? Maxx/Gavin designing obstacles?

- 🍌 Spoke about giving a homework pass for helping or some such idea.
  - 🍌 Get 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to participate?
  - 🍌 Pirate obstacle? Mr. Proudly help?
  - 🍌 Pep band play? "Eye of the Tiger"
  - 🍌 We will put this out there at future meetings.
- **Sencty Fundraiser**
  - 🍌 Stephanie Bora will host a Sencty fundraiser for the month of August
  - 🍌 Link to order online-25% goes to PTO/PHACT
  - 🍌 Tracy D. to give update
- **More Fundraising Ideas**
  - 🍌 Restaurant fundraiser?
  - 🍌 Per Lisa L. – Cali mentioned that the Meadows does a fundraiser/selling beer @ Meadows. Cali is looking into details on this.
  - 🍌 Karen L. suggested we have a general list on the Parish Hill and PTO/PHACT website regarding ongoing and upcoming fundraisers – i.e. – Pirates t-shirts – contact the BOOSTER Club at email XXX@XXXX, Pirates water bottle – 8<sup>th</sup> grade contact email XXX@XXXX, Applebee's Pancake breakfast – April 8<sup>th</sup> – tickets \$5 – purchase these from Mrs. Egan contact her at email XXX@XXXX
  - 🍌 Michelle B. spoke about Cow Chip Fundraiser. Spoke about head shaving fundraiser.
- **Meeting with PTO/PHACT and all 3 elementary school PTO's**
  - 🍌 Lisa brought up this idea
  - 🍌 Michelle B. spoke about possibly 1 person going to 1 of each of the meetings to speak about what we do and then offer joint meeting from there sponsoring an event for their PTO.
  - 🍌 Darcy B. said pick a date to invite them to a joint meeting to talk about PTO/PHACT,
  - 🍌 Spoke about having PTO/PHACT sponsor event at Parish Hill
  - 🍌 Michelle B. spoke about track teams at grammar school and bringing them to Parish Hill.
  - 🍌 Darcy B. spoke about Mother's Day concert in towns w/band.
  - 🍌 Michelle B. is going to Chaplin PTO meeting in September to introduce herself
  - 🍌 Lisa L. spoke about date in September to look for PTO's to talk about what we do for each other. Maybe Potluck?
- **Scholarship Night**
  - 🍌 Michelle B. has an athletic scholarship through the Booster Club – Michelle B. suggested that the PTO/PHACT offers a scholarship
- **Other topics**
  - 🍌 Kim B. discussed focusing on retaining our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students at Parish Hill
  - 🍌 Michelle B. spoke about field day for grammar school sponsored by PTO/PHACT
  - 🍌 Darcy B. spoke about 8/25 parent night to have someone talk about PTO/PHACT – discuss at next meeting
  - 🍌 Michelle B. suggested taking pictures when painting
  - 🍌 Lisa L. spoke about sharing information with all the papers – (Gazette/High Roads) – Completed by Lisa L. and Kathy F.?

- 🍏 Lisa L. explored sharing pictures on Scotland Website but no pictures of children are allowed on their website.
- 🍏 Lisa L. spoke about how can we connect Happenings on the Hill link with Hampton High Road and Scotland Highland Herald.
- 🍏 Kim M. spoke about grant writing. Michelle B. has someone who could help her write a grant. Karen L. spoke about EASTCONN having a grant writing department. Michelle B. Spoke about possibly writing a grant for iPads for each class. (I pads of Chromebooks)
- 🍏 Karen L. will look into EASTCONN's grant writing and see how or if they could help.
- 🍏 Carol S. spoke about the beer booth this weekend. Kim and Tracy offered to do it – will see if Cali can do it.
- 🍏 Cardboard boat race in the spring?
- 🍏 Spoke about letter/alternative fundraising?
- 🍏 Next meeting will mostly be about planning for the Brooklyn Fair.

**Next Meeting – Tuesday August 9<sup>th</sup> – 6pm in Parish Hill Cafeteria**