



Grange Hall Elementary School
Parent Teacher Association

General Body Meeting
December 10, 2020 at 1800
Zoom

Topic	Discussion/Decision	Action Items	Lead
Call to order	Meeting called to order at 1803		Katie Imel
Report of Officers	<p>President's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Minutes from 11/11/20 are posted on PTA website; standing - GHPTA.com: Zoom links, important dates, minutes, bylaws, flyers with links, etc. all available on the website, which is updated frequently! - Information also available via Facebook, the Bulldog Bulletin via Principal Jones, and the PTA newsletter (sent out to paying members) - To combat the disconnect families are feeling during virtual learning, the PTA is working with Principal Jones and Vice Principal Tracz to engage families in a forum; stay tuned for updates! <p>Treasurer's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - About \$89 deposited this month via memberships and AmazonSmile; paid out \$4,022 in checks for CPA, VA PTA dues, teacher appreciation, and supplies for teachers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - \$3,930 was used for teacher supplies; Principal Jones worked with teachers to figure out what supplies would be helpful for virtual learning and included seat cushions, microphones, monitors, etc., which were bought tax-free - The funds came from the generous donation from a Grange Hall family, which was matched by Microsoft - Balance as of November 30 is \$32,987.56 (compared to \$80,183.35 this time in 2019) <p>VP Fundraising Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PTA received \$100 from Sign Painting, \$115 from Noodles and Co. (and had an additional fundraising night on 12/10) - Working with Principal Jones and Vice Principal Tracz to set up a virtual Fun Run from February 24 through March 4; other schools had success with this in the fall; will also be working with Meg Rosenberg on this! - PTA plans to create a video on electronic fundraising to include instructions for Box Tops, AmazonSmile, and the Kroger app <p>VP Membership Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Eleven new members signed up in November, two so far in December - See email for this month's newsletter! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>The newsletter is a great way to communicate to non-members what the PTA is all about. Feel free to share!</i> - <i>Please remember to utilize Box Tops, AmazonSmile, and Kroger Plus Card benefits!</i> 	<p>Katie Imel</p> <p>Brian DeFazio</p> <p>Pam Willard</p> <p>Sarah Physioc</p>



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	<p>VP Programs Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Thank you to everyone who participated in the Grandparents' Breakfast! We raised \$105.77 for the PTA - Music trivia night was a great success! The next event will be in January and Mr. Burge has agreed to assist! - Holiday Traditions Photo Contest is happening now through December 18 <p>Principal Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The treats provided for the teachers by the PTA have been a great pick-me-up and are very much appreciated! - Principal Jones and Vice Principal Tracz hosting coffee chats to touch base with families for support (see Bulldog Bulletin); also having virtual brunches for the virtual students - Families are encouraged to check in with the counselors (see Bulldog Bulletin for survey) - Planning virtual family math nights to keep kids learning <p>Teacher Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mrs. Hugate: Teachers are working so hard to keep the kids engaged; it is a learning experience, but thank you for all the support! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Submit your holiday tradition photos to ghesptacontest.com for your chance to win a prize! 	<p>Charlotte Lindberg</p> <p>Rachel Tracz</p> <p>Vickie Hugate</p>
<p>Committee Reports</p>	<p>Yearbook</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Congratulations to Randy Sulanke, 5th grader, for winning the yearbook cover contest! There were 9 other awesome submissions that will also be featured on the back cover! - The yearbook will primarily rely on parents submitting photos of their children - Individual portraits should be submitted as early as possible, ideally before Christmas (the first half of the yearbook needs to be completed by the end of January) - Yearbooks can be ordered now and are currently \$30; the price will increase slightly as the year goes on; can order on Herff Jones by entering the school name or the school code, which is 13786 - To submit pictures, go to GHPTA.com and click the yearbook link; ensure that the page you are directed to says "Grange Hall Elementary School;" can upload up to 10 pictures at a time; put the child's name and grade level in the tagline for portraits <p>Student Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Too difficult to pull off a safe skate night at this time, but will consider in the future and may do a smaller event sometime after Christmas; as of now, working on doing monthly virtual events (BINGO, etc.) <p>Teacher Appreciation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A number of families have already donated for the cookie swap to continue the tradition for teachers and staff; currently working with Candiland Creation so that all treats are prepackaged and safe - Providing the staff with a Buddy the Elf themed pasta dinner (complete with syrup and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To submit yearbook pictures or <i>order a yearbook</i>, go to: https://www.ghpta.com/copy-of-submit-picture-to-yearbook - To donate to the pasta dinner, please visit: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0948a9ab23a7fb6-ghes1 	<p>Amiee Barker</p> <p>Lonnie Grady</p> <p>Lorin Kain</p>



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	<p>soda!) - donations can be placed in the bin outside the school by Monday, December 14th, or you can donate from the link →</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Would love more input from the teachers! Can reach out directly to the PTA or let Mrs. Drahms or Mrs. Hugate know if you have any other ideas!		
Next Session	Next general body meeting 1/25/21 at 1800		Katie Imel
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 1839		Katie Imel