

I. **Call to Order**

II. **Presidents' Report: Amy Higgs and Stacey Novak**

- A. Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities/Chair Opportunities
 - 1. Chairs Needed for Spring Book Fair and Summer Camp Fair
- B. Report from Presidents' Council
 - 1. Reviewed events upcoming within District
 - 2. Fiscal Think Tank Brainstorm session on effective cost-saving measures; next meeting Oct. 25th
 - 3. "Race to the Top" – Govt. funding for districts
 - 4. Reviewed need for universal school supply lists; guidelines
 - 5. "Go Home Drill" – state mandated; all students go home early
- C. Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce presentation; possibly of PTA joining as "social member."

III. **Treasurer's report: Ellen Sauer and Sharmon Valerian**

- A. Reviewed budget inflows and outflows from start of school year.
 - 1. Highlights: Swing set yet to be installed
 - 2. Fundraisers to come: Directory; Fall Book Fair; Discount Cards

IV. **Principal's Report- David Ksanznak**

- A. Great time had by all at Nature's Classroom; applauded amount of teacher planning and involvement; great parent participation.
- B. Farm to You Fest next week
- C. Start of Healthy Steps
- D. Fourth and 5th graders received State test scores last week; overall students did very well.

V. **New Business**

- A. New Fundraisers
 - 1. Reviewed new Scrip gift card fundraiser; process; order forms, online process. No credit cards accepted; checks to "Hamagrael PTA." Need to check on expiration date policy on cards. Good feedback from meeting participants. Order process to start in early November. Possibly distribute sold cards at December Craft Fair.
- B. Committee Chair Reports

1. Enrichment (Gail Boyd): great response – 132 students; starts next week. Great interest in some new classes; student interest in multiple classes. Some confusion with parent volunteer process; Chair will revise to make more clear on new flyer for next year's sessions
2. HKC –Farm to You Fest (Kathy Witherspoon): starts next week; recipe contest; local fruits/veggies; fresh food drive with donation bins at school next week; farmers market scavenger hunt Oct. 23rd; "Fresh" movie on Tues. Oct. 19, 7 pm; Farmers in almost all classes grades 1-4.
3. Craft Fair (Sue Napierski): 70 vendors; started publicity with high school students, channel 18, posters; involvement of H.S. XC team to face painting at craft fair as fundraiser;
4. Fall Book Fair: Nov. 16th; look into possibility of Movie Night to coincide.
5. Halloween Party: still need help with decorations; in need of parent volunteers for haunted house; looking for 3 parents for each 5th grade classroom, however, parents from other grades could help as well.
6. Announcements made on behalf of a. Green Committee- still looking for members; more information on website; b. School Banking – need volunteers Thursdays 1x/month, contact Sheila Wrede.

VI. **Old Business**

VII. **Other**

A. Paper Goods Donation to PTA from Green-Lawler Family; thank you.

VIII. **Adjournment**

Submitted by Amy Davenport and Theresa Tsomaio-Harvey, co-secretaries on October 20, 2010.