

# Horseheads Intermediate School

**October 8, 2019**

## **PTO Minutes**

### Old Business –

Believe Fundraiser – This was a big success this year, still counting up at this time!

Ice Cream Social – Lots of Leftovers that can be used at other school events

Fall Book Fair – Closing out after this meeting, totals TBD

### New Business –

Make a Difference Day – Saturday October 19- volunteers still needed! Intermediate school site will be very popular. Several activities are planned; rock painting, cards for vets, dog treats, place mats, blizzard bags, etc

Staff Appreciation Day – Friday Nov 15- providing lunch for the staff; half day of school

Treasurer's Report – none

### Purchase Reimbursements / Requests-

Sam Clarke – word family bundle \$22, voted yes

Kim Malone – Flocabulary \$129, voted yes

Parent Council Report – planned to meet 10/9, after PTO meeting of 10/8; updates will be provided next meeting

## Principal's Report –

- \* Joe Trionfero came to provide his Show of Love assembly in October that focused on character education and doing what's right even when no one is looking.
- \* Fire Assemblies for 5th and 6th Grade are on Wednesday, October 9 to highlight fire prevention week.
- \* We will be practicing an early dismissal drill on Thursday to be prepared for the event of having to dismiss early. This will not affect regular dismissal times.
- \* Reminder that all newsletters are all electronic and sent through email. October included a page on the Next Generation Learning Standards as continued support for parents, and also tips on how parents can help at home. There was also a page about tips to help students be successful with homework.
- \* Principal Chats are offered 3 times per year to have an open forum for discussion of suggestions, concerns, improvement ideas, questions, etc. The first chat was in September at 9am in the cafeteria and 6:00pm in the library.
- \* Unity Day is Wednesday, October 23rd this year. It's a national day dedicated to bringing attention to our efforts to stand against bullying. All students and staff are asked to wear orange in unity.
- \* We continue to promote our 25 book goal for students. As students reach the goal their names are read on the announcements as ferocious readers.
- \* There is no school for students on October 11th for our Superintendent's Conference Day.
- \* Make a Difference Day is on Saturday, October 19th from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. in various locations around Horseheads. A flyer was sent home with information to sign-up.
- \* Halloween Celebrations will take place on Halloween Day. Festivities vary per team in terms of dressing up and party.
- \* Picture retakes will be November 7th.