

**High Plain Elementary
January PTO Meeting Minutes
January 20, 2017**

Members Present:

Stephanie Lenzi, Joanna Yianopoulos, Lauren Jones, Maureen Hnat, Marika Lyons, Pamela Lathrop, Anda Van Buren, Dymple

• **General Discussion:**

Stephanie Lenzi - Happy New Year! Welcome back.

• **Updates:**

Working towards having a direct donation button on the Facebook page with an open letter form the board.

Considering not participating in the craft fair next year due to low turnout and low profit.

PTO town wide meeting discussed town articles being voted on 4/26/17 which will directly effect High Plain Elementary. They will be voting on the air conditioning, ramp access to the fields and pilot program for audio.

- **Pasta Palooza:** Chaired by Anda Van Buren and Lynn Andelman. Looking for more volunteers. Successfully had all food donated.

Tuesday dress rehearsal at 1:00pm.

• **New Events:**

Parent Social will be held on March 18th. Looking for additional donations and committee volunteers.

Mary Poppins sing a long will be held March 30th.

Sweetheart Dance: May 12th

Boys Outing: May 5th

• **Grants:**

Librarian asking for 500 books for the library.

1st grade teachers are asking for Board Games

High Plain courtyard project

Lady Bug projectors for the classrooms

• **Thank you**

Preparing a thank you to the cafeteria staff including aprons and breakfast.

• **Multi-Cultural Night:**

Scheduled for March 8th. The demographics within our school have changed quite a bit over the years and this evening will allow us to further acknowledge those changes. A few years ago the population at HPE was 80% white. It is now roughly 60% white, 26% Asian and 10% Hispanic.

Those students speaking a second language at HPE has risen from 9% to 29%. The multi cultural night will be a great display of our diversity.

Next Meeting will be February 17 at 9am in cafeteria