

MEETING MINUTES
PRM HSA
October 18, 2011

Deanna Dugan called the meeting to order at 7:34 pm.

Melissa Andes reviewed the minutes from the September 20, 2011 meeting. Lori Cohen motioned to approve the minutes and MaryAnn Gorman seconded the motion.

Elaine Hamill reviewed the Treasurer's Report. Motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Lori Cohen and seconded by MaryAnn Gorman.

Monthly Report - Mr. Hynes:

The Student Council is holding elections. Four students will be elected to the Executive Council.

The DIRT assembly was very well received by the PRM students. The children were well behaved during the assembly.

Many parents attended back to school night and a lot of students were present to help with the bake sale and to assist parents.

Mrs. Battaglia organized the book sale and many 6th graders purchased books.

Dr. Caruso explained that peer mentoring would be taking place during gym classes. Five or six peer mentors will work with 25 students at a time. There will be a focus on team building activities. There will be challenges that the whole group must work together to solve. Students get to practice leadership skills.

During mix-it-up day, peer mentors served as discussion starters. Children sat at different tables and were placed alphabetically by last name to foster community building.

10/21 - Some of the peer mentors will attend a youth conference at The College of St. Elizabeth. The students will create, organize and implement a project and will serve as an advisory board.

10/19 – Wear pink for anti-bullying. Additionally, high school representatives will be coming to PRM to give anti-bullying lessons.

10/28 – Teen canteen – 6th grade

10/31 – Halloween contest

11/4 – First Celebrate Reading

11/7-8 – Parent /Teacher conferences with half days on 11/7, 8 and 9

11/9 – Last day of the first marking period

11/10-11 – Schools are closed for Teacher’s Convention

11/17 – Picture retake day and Camelot assembly

Committee News – Deanna Dugan:

Ms. Dugan reported that 301 families out of approximately 500 have paid home school association dues

The book sale earned \$5,046.41. Over 200 books were purchased with last year’s money, and another 100 books were purchased this year.

All positions for the 8th grade activities are now filled. The 8th grade dance will be held at The Smoke Rise Inn.

Ms. Cohen reported that Pearl’s Place would hold a Holiday Sale.

Ms. Ferrari reported that Camelot had a great response to the DIRT assembly for the students and the assembly for the parents. The assembly was instrumental in fostering dialogue between parents and children.

Ms. Hamill reported that after a lengthy process, the PRM HSA is officially a 501c3 non-profit organization.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:35 pm by Elaine Hamill and seconded by MaryAnn Gorman.

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa Andes

In Attendance:

John P. Hynes

Louis Caruso

Lori Cohen

Jennifer Heckler

Mary Anne Gorman

Bernadine Ferrari

Patti Morris

Deanna Dugan

Elaine Hamill

Melissa Andes