

**Hillsborough Elementary School**  
**Home and School Association**  
**April 2025 Meeting**  
**4/9/2025**

Meghann Valeo, HSA President, opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

**Welcome & Nominations**

There were 12 people at the meeting. Exec Board elections are held in May. While we do have some people looking to hold positions, technically all are open. Send an email to Lisa Chiang ([recordingsecretary@heshsa.org](mailto:recordingsecretary@heshsa.org)) if you are interested in a position. Lisa will compile information and we will vote at the next HSA meeting. This will be communicated in this week's newsletter and Mrs. Eckstein will echo it out.

**Treasurer Report/Assemblies**

Budget presentation will be at the May 2025 meeting and voted on in June 2025. Next meeting is May 14. One pager reviewed. Items updated - chess, teacher grants, book fair. HSA funds are in a good position. We are set up well to manage fall expenses.

During the chess club discussion Meghann provided the update that we will target the ping pong club next fall as the company is very new.

Decided not to go with juggling due to very high costs and the Princeton symphony is fully booked. We do have funds for another assembly if anyone has ideas. If you have suggestions, reach out to Andrew. Otherwise it can be looked at as an opportunity for additional assemblies next year. Maybe young audiences?

**Fundraising / Restaurant Nights**

Bella pizza is tonight. Rita's / Marianna's night will be in May - Mrs Moore is working on the date.

Slime run is tentatively planned for Oct 1, with a rain date of Oct 3. School is closed Oct 2. Pending final district calendar.

**Book Fair**

The Spring Book Fair was a great success! We had over \$9100 in sales and took profit in a mix of cash and scholastic dollars. Due to everyone's generosity, and fundraising from the pencilgrams in the fall, we were able to provide 50+ golden tickets allowing children to pick out a book from the fair for free. The HSA donated one book to each classroom and numerous families also donated to classrooms. Thank you everyone for your participation!

Alex Coelho will be chairing the Pencilgrams and Book Fair next year. It is not too late to sign up to co-chair for the fair.

**Teacher Appreciation**

Planning is underway, but details were not discussed in order to keep things a surprise.

**Stall Day**

Stall day will be held April 25th, with the online blitz running until 10PM on April 24th. Flyer will go home this Friday before break. Lisa to run copies, Mrs. Hopson is collecting bags. Givebacks site will launch before Friday.

Discussed outstanding items: bags to hold larger amounts of coins, calling local banks to give a heads up, will use coin counters at Affinity that afternoon. Teachers are managing any volunteers needed, office list, etc

### **Teacher Grants**

Checks were delivered for outstanding grants. We are currently at just over \$2100 in grant spending. 3rd grade will be doing persuasive letters to request grants. Discussed \$75/class as a target budget.

### **4th Grade Day**

Shirts have been distributed and feedback has been great. Everything is moving along for the event planned on June 6. We will follow up with BSC and Kona about a week before.

We have one more hummingbird night on May 9. Yearbook ads & lawn sign sales went well and we're approaching our target for fundraising. We are hopeful that Stall day + Hummingbird will get us there.

### **Yearbook**

117 sold so far. We will continue to communicate that sales are open through May 1. Brittnee & Tara are working to create pages, Lisa will send 4th grade ad information this week, and the Principal letter will be needed soon.

### **Class Parent Committee**

Pizza will be ordered from Bella for the EOY party on 6/19 - Mrs. Hopson is coordinating. 4th grade clap out is scheduled for the same day. The class schedule will be sent to Meghann. Mrs. Rutz is coordinating plate count information so that we are ready the day of. Form will be sent home to families to confirm 1 or 2 slices.

Class parent communication will go out regarding EOY & Teacher appreciation. EOY party is head parent only and not required. We are only there to help distribute pizza. We will let everyone know that we plan a week long, school wide celebration. We will provide ideas of the range of options for celebrating your classroom teacher.

### **Field day**

Volunteer sign up will be communicated a few days in advance. We discussed handling the board as a subsection to maximize spots for parent volunteers.

### **Roller rink**

Event planning is underway and we are set for May 17 10 AM - 12 PM. We will sell it as a product on Givebacks. Targetting to have it setup and start communication in this week's newsletter.

### **Beautification**

Grounds are cleaned up. 57 pickets have been signed up for. Lowe's donated about half the pickets needed. It hasn't been warm/dry enough to prime the pickets before spring break. Families received communication of the delay.

### **Staff update**

Thank you for the books!

### **Principal update**

There was a short side conversation mid-meeting regarding concert seats. It was agreed to update the spreadsheet next year to include the child's name. It helps when marking off seats.

Committee is moving ahead with celebration on May 29 with an assembly from 8:50-9:50 am.

**Meeting was closed at 8:06 pm. The next meeting will be on May 14, 2025.**

Minutes Submitted by: Lisa Chiang, HSA Recording Secretary