



Nighthawks Parent Society Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 2, 2024 6:30 pm
Location: NTHS Learning Commons

Attendees: Stephanie Bissky (President), Tavis Settles (Vice President), Scott Murayama (Treasurer), Ashwini Kelkar (Secretary), Mike Bester (Principal), April Boutin, Arti Singh, Mujidek Oladejo, Sara Moores, Farah Mellott, Elaine Cohen, Claudiu Kereti, Victoria Settles

Meeting called to order at 7:18 pm by Stephanie Bissky

Motion to approve agenda. Approved by Farah, seconded by Tavis.

Motion to approve NPS meeting minutes from September 18, 2024. Tabled to next meeting.

Motion to approve Scholarships

4 awards will be funded by NPS:

2 Top Nighthawk Awards (1 each) for Grade 10 and 11

2 Top Academic Awards (1 each) for Grade 10 and 11

Motioned by Tavis, 2nd by Sarah. All in approval. Motion carried.

Fundraising Committee Update:

- 50/50 Back to School Raffle reverted to host on Raffle Box instead of Raffle Rocket since this is more user friendly and not bound to miscellaneous subscriptions. Reminder to purchase tickets will be sent out on weekly email message sent from NTHS, Ms.Lomon to post QR code for the raffle on the school's Instagram page. Posters to be put up in the classroom, reminder will be sent to the parents to sign up for weekly messages from the school. Collections to date are \$70.00.
- "Skip A Sip" scheduled for November 2024.
- COBBS located at Livingston, Coventry and Deerfoot will donate (to NPS) 5% of sales made to NTHS families. Christmas Pub Night deferred to mid March for ease of booking.
- Mr. Bester has planned "Teacher Appreciation Day"; parents are welcome to supply desserts, refreshment, drinks.

Treasurer Update: Scott Murayama

- \$9.00 service charge reimbursed to general account.

New Business/Carryover Topics/Action Items from Previous meeting: Mr. Bester

- Internal form created for staff to use to list ideas, suggestion that can be presented at the meeting. Staff can list the number of students, impact on school development on these forms.
- Art Team would like to invite Indigenous Artists for workshop on Inuit Carvings. Cost is \$2000.00.



Students will pay \$20.00. Motion to allocate \$1000.00 for residency art department to be split over 2 semesters, motion to allocate \$500.00 for this semester, by Sara, 2nd Tavis. All in favor. Motion carried.

- Increasing requests to support transportation for non-curricular events example dance troupe travel, robotics team travel and field trip costs. Affects 600 students each of the 2 semesters. Some of the field trips cannot access RAM. Request of \$5000.00 (\$2500.00 will be split over 2 semesters). Motion to allocate \$2500.00 for this semester (funding model will be reviewed in the second semester) approved by Tavis. All in favor. Motion carried.
- Request of \$500.00 to support Trail tribune acquire supplies and materials. Motion by Sara, 2nd Farah. All in favor. Motion carried.
- Cost of 3 day backpacking outdoor pursuits (Heart Mountain) campsite fee is \$312.00. Motion to support funding up to \$350.00 by Elaine, 2nd April. All in favor. Motion carried.
- Still awaiting final cost of Mascot.
- Discussion about acquiring a school bus. The cost is up to \$150,000.00, school looking into leasing a bus or small tubby busses in the meanwhile.

Next Meeting: November 6, 2024

Motion to adjourn meeting. Approved by Farah. Adjourned at 8:03 pm

Notes Prepared by Ashwini Kelkar, Secretary

Notes Reviewed by: Stephanie Bissky, President

