



**Kenwood Elementary School**  
***"Help Us Grow"***  
**HUG-PTO**  
**General Membership Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, February 1, 2017**  
**6:30 p.m.**

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Attendees:	Lisa Ball	Denise Cherry	Danielle Maliszewski
	Tracy Black	Christina Engel	Melissa Mayer
	Caroline Boggis	Angela Hamilton	Tori McIntosh
	Katie Buchler	Nicholas Hamilton	Erin Michalak
	Carrie Burnard	Katie Kanous	Angela Mikula
	Amy Carpenter	Lori Karam	Shannon Werenka
		Jessica Kerfoot	Cindy Wyckoff

1. Welcome (Cindy Wyckoff)
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes (Christina Engel)
  - January 2017 Meeting Minutes
    - Motion by Angela Hamilton to approve January 2017 Minutes
    - Motion seconded by Denise Cherry
    - Minutes approved, as written
3. Principal's Report (Amy Carpenter)
  - Playground Use After School. The policy of no after school use of the playgrounds is in place because AfterCare has use of the building and grounds until 6 pm each school day. Attention has been brought to this policy due to multiple concerns of the usage after school and parents are reminded of this policy.
  - Corporate Donation by New, Local ExxonMobil. The former BP gas station on 14 Mile will become an Exxon Mobil in the near future. In accordance with their corporate community involvement policies, the company/operators have gifted Kenwood with a \$500 grant to be used for Math and Science education. They indicated they have plans to give to all our Clawson schools for education and sports.
  - State "Focus List." Kenwood is officially off the Focus List based on last year's M-STEP testing scores.
  - GCA "Clean School." Kenwood has been named "Cleanest School in the District" by GCA.
  - Clawson Reimagined. There is a current, ongoing discussion with the School Board about possible changes in the district. The idea of separate lower and upper elementary buildings has been presented. There is no data about cost savings or other benefits to the change at this time.
    - Parents expressed concern and/or disagreement with this possible plan.
  - The District is starting to promote DK/K enrollment for next year. Enrollment officially opens in March.

#### 4. Teacher Liaison's Report (Erin Michalak)

- We currently have two student teachers in the building. We are honored to have Shannon Farlow and Vincent Tye with us this winter/spring!
- March is Reading Month.
  - *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* books for "One School, One Book" will be ordered soon. \$294 was received in donations for purchasing the books. 184 books need to be ordered.
  - Activities will include a Movie/Family Night on March 24 -- the original version of the movie starring Gene Wilder will be shown.
  - Decorating day will be February 28 immediately after school. Parents volunteers are welcome, but asked to not bring their children.
  - Classrooms will have till March 10 to decorate outside their doors.

#### 5. Treasurer's Report (Danielle Maliszewski)

- January 2017 Treasurer's Report
  - Christmas in Clawson funds were received in the amount of \$2,500.
  - Following up with PotBelly for their donation from Dine to Donate.
  - A general donation was received from Cindy's boss on December 31.
  - Motion by Angela Mikula to approve the January 2017 Report
  - Motion seconded by Katie Buchler
  - Report approved, as written
- Discussion to transfer \$500 from the Robotics budget to the Reading Month budget to cover the rest of the cost of the books.
  - Motion by Erin Michalak to approve transfer.
  - Motion seconded by Denise Cherry

#### 6. President's Report (Cindy Wyckoff)

- The Twy-Fit fundraiser was attended by three parents. Thanks to the Twydells and to Pure Balance Massage for their generosity!
- Discussion was had about potential with parent workshops for "K-5 success." Oakland Schools could be consulted for their offerings.
- Interest has been shown in a "Watch Dogs" type program that puts Dads in the school regularly. Could we call it Watch Frogs?
- This year's Communication Folders have held up exceptionally well. No disagreement to use them again next year.
- Reminder that new HUG-PTO Board Members are needed for next year. Thanks to those interested for helping already "behind the scenes." Voting will be at the May PTO Meeting. Anyone interested should contact a current Board member.

7. Working Group Reports (Cindy Wyckoff)
  - Fire and Ice with Spice – Saturday, February 18 11am-4pm. A few more volunteers are needed to fill the 10 chili serving time slots.
  - BoxTops - The BoxTops Drive is in progress. The next deadline is March 1. Box Tops can be submitted 50 per envelope/ziploc bag or on paper forms. Be sure they are not expired, please!
  - Membership - We will be holding a Mid-Year Membership Drive until March 1. One new member will win a \$25 Target Gift Card!
  - Spring Book Fair - will happen during March.
  - Information for the Skate Night Party and the Kenwood Krawl will be going out soon.
  - There will be a half day for conferences this Spring. Volunteers will be needed to man a PTO welcome table during all conference times.
  - The Working Groups for next year will need to be adjusted as our activities change.
8. Questions & Answers and Comments & Suggestions
  - The popcorn machine needs servicing. Christina Engel will contact someone she knows to consult with Danielle.
  - The possibility of a Lifetime Fitness Parents Night Out has been brought to our attention.
9. Next Meeting – Wednesday, March 1, 2017 at 6:30pm at Kenwood