



Name of Meeting:	Harris Hill PTO General Meeting		
Date:	16-Nov-2021	Time (EST):	7:00 PM

Attendance:

Name	Attended	Absent	Name	Attended	Absent
Kelli Hickey Co-President	X		Kate Kraft Co-Vice President	X	
Micaela Lauer Co-President	X		Janine Ward Treasurer	X	
Stacy Kensy Co-Vice President		x	Jennifer Lougen-Wiertel Communications Secretary	X	
Mrs. Aldrich Principal	X		Mrs. Burden Teacher Represent- ative	X	
Others in attendance:					
Dr. Frahm	Tricia Andrews	Dawn Snyder	~20-30 parents		

Agenda Items

1.	<p>Welcome and Introductions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction and Welcome from Mrs. Aldrich. • Broke off into 2 groups for a tour of the school led by Mrs. Aldrich and Mrs. Burden.
2.	<p>PTO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PTO presentation by Kelli Hickey. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What PTO does and who PTO is: ○ Examples of activities/events the PTO is involved in: Field Day, Instrument rental scholarship, gifts for teachers and staff, 5th grade activities, teach appreciation, funding school field trips, and a free book at the book fair. ○ Upcoming Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Warming Tree is coming up. We collect hats, mittens, and socks, anything to help students stay warm. These items are sent to a local school in need. ▪ Merry Moose is coming up in December. Kids are provided with the opportunity to go to a “store” and purchase gifts for family. ▪ After School Clubs will be starting in January. Different activities will be provided such as crafts and intramurals. More information will be sent out in December. ▪ Clarence Food Pantry is coming up in the new year. More information will be sent home in January. This year they have requested more toiletry related items. ▪ Winterfest is a new event. It will be a way to get the Harris Hill community together since our big Fall event had to be put on pause due to Covid restrictions. A date has not been set yet but thinking end of January. We are looking for ideas and people to get involved. Please contact the HH PTO (harrishillpto@gmail.com) if you are interested or have ideas. ▪ Parent meat raffle was done 2 years ago. We are looking at either doing this in person or virtually. ○ PTO committees oversee many of these events. ○ Communication: PTO uses email and Facebook to communicate various information and events. Harris Hill also has a Twitter account and Mrs. Aldrich sends out a smore’s newsletter. A newsletter for Leader in Me periodically goes out to parents which is a



	<p>fairly new program. It provides an opportunity for students to become leaders.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ We are in need of a chairperson to take charge of School Supply Kits. Please reach out to us if interested. ◦ This year we sold almost 1000 tickets for the Amazon Gift Card raffle! Dr. Frahm will draw the winner on Facebook live. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of Dr. Frahm and Board of Education members, Tricia Andrews and Dawn Snyder.
<p>3.</p>	<p>Dr. Frahm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brief introduction and addressed a few questions that frequently come up. Also, answered a few parent questions and feedback. • Health and safety is a number 1 priority. • Communication with parents is important. Dr. Frahm is working hard to increase communication with parents by using social media, weekly emails, and holding various information sessions. • Dr. Frahm emphasized that supporting kids not just academically but emotionally and socially is a priority. If kids are struggling, we want to support them. Last year, the district brought on a Behavioral Specialist that works in each of the school buildings. Additionally, there is a Family Support Center available. • Upcoming event: 12/2 (Thursday) Leader In Me program discussion. • If there are any questions or concerns, contact any of the Board of Education members. If they don't have the answer, they get it and get back to you.