Minutes PTO Meeting January 18, 2018

President Report

- Still no check from 5 Guys
- Fall Book fair taking the cash option of \$2000. We have received our bill from them for reserving the materials.
- Scholastic Spring Book Fair is going to be Buy One Get One.
- Received our BoxTops check for Spring and Fall totalling \$1000. Deadline for next submission is March 1st.

Principal Report

- Friday, January 19th Hat Day. Students permitted to wear hats with a canned good to support school's food locker.
- BOE has been submitted for review and has been posted on the district website. As of now the school is slatted to have an additional kindergarten and 1st grade teachers due to higher enrolment.
- Imagine That Day is scheduled for end of March. Looking for parent volunteers to greet and show presenters to their rooms. The closing presenter will be doing a show on sound.
- Project Fit update. Voting has been extended.
- All School Meeting Friday January 19th. First graders will be leading the meeting. Their topic is on empathy.
- Parenting workshop is a strong possibility again this spring.
- The science fair is more than likely not happening. No one has stepped up to take over. The former student living in Italy did not pan out. This is open to students in grades 3rd-6th.
- Invention Convention has kicked off with roughly a dozen students starting out. This is open to 4th-6th grade students.

6th Grade update

- Student council visited the middle school to get ideas on reopening the school store. They have suggested using the old Gifted and Talented cabinet in the faculty room which can be locked. Right now they need to figure out a good time to have the store open and need parent volunteers. They know the price point needs to be kept low, and they can not sell snacks. They were given a donation to help them in their start up.
- Fundraisers for the class trip have been spotty. Haven't heard from Aroogas or Moes. We are waiting to hear back from Chilis. Amanda has received an email from Panera Bread regarding fundraising and will be checking with them. The class will be holding a pancake breakfast at the GF Firehouse in March, most likely on the 17th.

Yearbook Update

- Jen Harren has volunteered to be the coordinator
- This year's design is super heroes to go along with the school year theme. And we will be eliminating the pop culture insert.
- A letter will be going home to the 6th grade class regarding baby pictures and candids of the class from kindergarten up through 6th grade.
- We will be selling the books for \$20.
- Flyers and order forms will be sent to us soon.
- Room parents will be contacting teachers to arrange times for candids and if any students are not to be photographed.

Spring Fundraisers

- Looking into a March Madness type fundraiser
- Contacting Pequot Plant Farms to see what type of flowers they have for spring.
- Spirit Wear will be sold again
- Possibly a dance
- Looking into a wine tasting at Jonathan Edwards Winery in Stonington

Skate Night

- Saturday January 27th
- Saturday February 24th

Make sure check lost and founds at both schools by end of month. Remaining items will be donated to Ledyard Clothing Exchange.