**Hollis Elementary PTA Meeting**

**April 11, 2017**

**Start Time**: 10:07 AM

**Location:** HUES Staff Room

**Attendees**: Cassandra Vorisek-Creto , Amy Kellner, Alexis Brooks, Sarah Constantine, Paula Izbicki, Candice Fowler, Nicole Tomaselli , Maryanne Shanley, Jennifer Hannon, Anna Birch, Davi Peters , Betsy Cotton (HWC)

**Call to order**- Cassandra **Approval of last meeting minutes**- Motion: Alexis Seconded: Amy

**Principal’s Report**: HPS: Paula Izbicki

“Smarter Balance” testing is going very well. Most 3rd graders are completing each section in about 2 days and stress factor for the kids seems low!

Looking forward to purchasing recess equipment for the school! 3 graders are assisting in providing ideas! Equipment would be for the 2017-18 school year.

April 19, 2017 is the All School Meeting which will honor our volunteers! Starts at 8:30am and anyone who has volunteered is welcome to attend the meeting as well as gather for refreshments after!

Summer Program will be held at HUES dues to building improvements at HPS.

Step Up Day is approaching! The school will be adjusting the Kindergarten orientation to be sooner because of the building improvements this summer. HPS wants to be sure the incoming K’s have the opportunity to meet their teachers and visit the spaces.

Artist in Residence was fantastic. Now looking for ideas for the next session in 2 years!

**Principal’s Report**: HPS: Candice Fowler

Talent show and the 5th &6th grade musical to be held. Kids (and teachers) are all very excited.

“Parent Talks” to be held on April 20th.

STEM assembly to be held the day before school break.

Creative with a K- next week, 1 ½ hr. per class

Maker Space focus is on engines.

Golden Trash Can Awards are in motion. Motivation for the kids to clean up their classrooms at the end of the day! Extra recess and a trophy!

**Treasurer’s Report**: Not a busy from a financial perspective. Budget reviewed.

Teacher request (Mr. Pope) for art supplies for $250. Motion to Approve: Yes After discussion, the request was increased to $350 and re-voted. Motion to approve: yes

**Parent Talks:** Last one of the 2016-2017 school year with a focus on summer camps, questions to ask your summer program! It will be held at the Middle School. Suggestion made to link information to the SAU calendar. Looking for ideas for next year for the next round of Parent Talks!

Request made by the HWC to place pinwheels on Drury Lane for Autism Prevention.

PTA will make a small presentation during the Kindergarten information night being held on May 11 at 6PM.

**Meeting Adjourned**: 11:15 AM