**Hollis Elementary PTA Meeting**

**March 28, 2017**

**Start Time**: 10:00 AM

**Location:** HUES Cafeteria

**Attendees**: Cassandra Vorisek-Creto , Amy Kellner, Alexis Brooks, Sarah Constantine, Paula Izbicki, Melanie White, Rick Bergeron, Anna Birch, Davi Peters, Nicole Tomaselli

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

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

Read Across America was a huge hit! Children loved the movie and popcorn event! It was a nice opportunity for the children to gather, relax, and have fun!

STEM Fair went well. A survey will be out on the Fair looking for feedback for the future. Seeking a balance between the Science Fair and the STEM fair to increase participation.

Smarter Balance testing next week for the 3rd graders.

Reminder to check Twitter for most up to date information (buses, etc.)

**Treasurer’s Report**: January Budget reviewed. Online verses Live Auction numbers were discussed with regard to the cancellation of the Live Auction Event (low ticket sales, few “big ticket” items for bid). Funds generated will be lower without the live event, however we will wait until the completion of the on line auction to see where numbers are at. PTA is discussing the creation of a Fundraising Committee for next year in hopes of generating fresh ideas and getting more people involved in the PTA. (Approval for the I-Pad requests will be placed on hold until the Auction numbers are tallied.)

**On line Auction Update**: Dates May 1-15, 2017 – Auction items will be accepted through the entire auction event!

**5th grade Student Enrichment**: Field trips to Minuteman Park, Boston Duck Tours, and Kimball’s greenhouse. Request for funding of the trip as it exceeds the amount 5 grade has available. Request for an additional $480. Motion was presented and approved. Parents will be asked to donate a total of $30 for all three field trips as well.

**Artist in Residence:** Kids loved the experience! Suggestion for next year would be to have a school assembly for the grades who did not participate so they could see the experience their peers had.

**Parent Talk:** Lynn Lyons (Anxiety in Children and Parents) - Wonderful presentation. PTA purchased and donated two books to the Parent Library!

**Meeting Adjourned**: 11:05 AM