

# Kingston PTO Meeting Minutes

November 8, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm

The KPTO meeting was held in the KIS library

## Executive Board Members

Katie Bedard, President (present)

Beth Barra, VP KES (not present)

Jamie Nelson, VP KIS (not present)

Amy Archer, Secretary (present)

April Hill, Treasurer (present)

4 Board Members, 1 Teacher, 8 Members, and 1 Principal

## Katie Bedard: Welcome

## Secretary's Report – Amy Archer, Secretary (Present)

Amy reported that there was a change to the October minutes. Updates were made to the School Committee section only

## Treasurer's Report – April Hill, Treasurer (Present)

### Highlights

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| Fund the Fun            | **UPDATE** Total donations = \$22,382.94   |
| Harlem Wizards          | \$4,150 in sponsors so far, expenses are the hotel rooms                             |
| Baystate Textiles       | \$142.20 direct deposit (October)  |
| Donations / Other       | \$72.68 Benevity portal company matched donation + Big Y donation                    |
| Teacher Reimbursements  | \$50 reimbursement checks - 4 total (all KES)  |
| Fall Staff Appreciation | \$695.50 for the Plymouth Party Truck (gift cards were donated by parents)           |
| Taxes                   | Lost in the mail, so we filed online for the first time this year (and it was free!) |
| Venmo                   | QR code has been tested and it's ready to be used at upcoming events                 |

Any questions or receipts should be sent to [ajmorin@gmail.com](mailto:ajmorin@gmail.com)

## Principal's Report –

**KES** – Dr. Kerri Whipple (not present) and Mr. Jake Galewski (not present):

- Thank you to Plymouth Party Truck and the PTO for a great Fall Staff Appreciation!
- Literacy Night had a wonderful turnout!
- Turkey Feast will be Thursday 11/17
- We are excited to be working on our first Multicultural night – please reach out to Dr. Whipple with any questions.

**KIS – Mr. Materna (present) and Dr. Bruzzese (not present)**

- Spirit Week was a big success!
- Thank you to Plymouth Party Truck and the PTO for a great Fall Staff Appreciation!
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- Turkey Feast will be Tuesday 11/15

**Teacher's Report –**

**KES – Ms. Kristen Pishkin (present)**

- Thank you to Plymouth Party Truck and the PTO for a great Fall Staff Appreciation!
- Flyers will be going out soon for Movie Night on Friday 12/1

**KIS – Ms. Emily Goodwin (not present)**

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**School Committee – Jeanne Coleman (not present) Tricia Arieta (not present)**

No updates

**Fundraising – Sarah Pasternak (present), Barbara Gildea (present), Brittany Kooienga (not present)**

- Holiday Gift Wrapping 12/14 – 12/24 – 8 volunteers have signed up and the first meeting is Monday 11/14

**Harlem Wizards – Jenny Ellis (present)**

- Date 11/14 at the Silver Lake High School Gym
  - a. Volunteers are needed please use sign up via the sign up genius link that went out or reach out to Jenny Ellis
  - b. Doors open at 5:30pm
  - c. Meet & Greet at 5:45pm
  - d. Pregame activities at 6:00pm
  - e. Game starts at 6:30pm

**Spirit Wear – Amy Archer (present)**

- Store link - <https://fireflyteamstores.com/collections/kingston>

**Field Trips – Holly Dillon (KES) Katy Shannon (KIS)**

- No updates to report at this time

**Winter Holiday Fest – Kate Duggan (not present)**

- Date Saturday December 2, 2023 9 -12 in KES Café
  - Movie Night with be Friday 12/1 530-830
- Flyers will go out next week along with sign ups for volunteering the night before and day of

**Cultural Enrichment** – Amy Fitzgibbon (not present), Beth Barra (present)

- No updates to report at this time

**Additional Items –**

- Please send all flyer correspondence to Cheryl Key at [ckey@slrsd.org](mailto:ckey@slrsd.org) for ESL Translation
- All KPTO Meetings will be in the KIS Library

**NEXT MEETING IS Tuesday 1/9/2024!**

**Reminder the PTO is always looking for new members! Come join our next meeting!**