**PTO – Meeting Sept 13, 3:15pm**

* **Megan – Hudson Valley Seed**

-Vegetable of the Month – needs volunteer efforts (cafeteria, passing, posters). HVSeed needs some volunteer support/newsletter signup

-3-5th doesn have direct programming with HVSeed

-create posters announcing the vegetables?

-Garden Open hours – meet with teachers to get feedback. All teachers would love to use garden. Bulletin board for garden for signup to use garden. Picnic table and benches.

* Rebecca Kelley
* Belloch
* Sanisan –
* Elizabeth Roach
* Mr. Dom
* Azuski 5th grade special ed
* Principal Report
  + Thanks the Recycling Volunteers – down to 8/9 bags of trash from 13 bags
  + Met with TAs and Monitors – talked about it not being an option. All kids have to go to table
  + Next week – 2 stations (and maybe move from Styrofoam trays to plastic to be washed, and eventually metal utensils)
  + Goals:
    - Building Leadership Team – Principal, 2 parents, 2 teachers – current state of affairs, what we want for the building – goal to get good PR out of it.
    - Progress Monitoring – shadowing it – continue data team. Time consuming, but time well spent.
    - Recycling –
    - Work on Student/Teacher positive relationships
    - PBIS Character Trait for the month is RESPECT. Lessons to teach kids what it looks and sounds like.
  + Smooth opening for school – gets better every year
  + Great Garden
  + 2 more computer carts, one in 5th, one in 2nd
  + Brain Pop = 15 teachers responded – 195 kids. $438 (teaching science – interactive computer time, answer questions via videos), New teachers w/school subscriptions – social studies/science. VOTED AND APPROVED
  + 30 walkie talkies – New Director of Security. Need to put in security processes. School is officially open 8:30-3:30. No Access to ‘visitors’
* The Pot: $10,782.86 - $1,483 from t-shirts
* We bought 2 new water fountains – Filtered water to fill bottles, that are cold!
* NYS Parks - $1,000 grant towards transportation
* Gifts of what teachers want

OPEN FORUM

* -Michel – Human Rights video shown to 5th graders, heard it was scary and violent, blindfolded gunman
* Are books being reused? Workbooks with answers written in them?
* Put in a Donors Choose.org for flexible seating for students and 2 parents (prob through Mr. Archer’s posting) – Repost Link to the fundraiser
* 4th Grade just got a grant to go to the NYState Museum
* Michelle F - ClipUp-ClipDown – up to the individual teacher/group of kids
* Literacy Committee – first meeting last week – goal: One School/One Book; get together activities, school wide literacy program
* PE Student of the Month: monthly award to boy/girl – for K-2; and 3-5
  + Maybe give t-shirt as a prize? VOTE APPROVED
* October Family Fun Night – Oct. 26 – Trunk or Treat; Prize for best trunk
* Spirit of Beacon Day – not sure of the theme – will send home info “Celebrating Unity”. Maybe send something home that can be decorated.
* Still need volunteers 11:20 – 1pm. Can 5th graders volunteer to help? Feedback from teachers who are in the café? Started doing it for breakfast
* Beautification plans – asphalt painting. Maybe something in the gym, then bottom hallway
* Discount card – PTO Collab – 12 businesses