Friends of Cutler Meeting Minutes 5/19/16

7 parents and Jenn Clifford

Allison Odoardi - Welcome, introductions, overview of our initiatives

- 5/27 is School Spirit Day
- Cutler Games is 6/3
- 5th Grade week is 6/20-24
- Staff Appreciation week was well received
- Mini Grants : annual recap the following programs were approved this school year:
 - Kindergarten incubators for their egg hatching program
 - 1st Grade Mrs Green's class art supplies
 - 2nd Grade: a juggler came in and supplies were purchased to support juggling
 - 3rd grade The Audubon Ipswich Wildlife came in for a visit and presented their mammal program, t

Michele Gilpin - Cutler games

- Olympic theme, worked hard to bring costs down this year
- There are several ongoing activities scheduled: Can Jam, Bean bag Toss, Ladder Ball as well as scheduled activities: Capture the flag, Trash can Ball, and a water balloon toss; String Jam will be playing at 4:30
- There will be 2 bouncy houses but no tea cup ride this year,
- there will also be face painting, tattoos, a Change is Simple Activity and a BBQ food truck, slushies, crafts, photo booth etc.

Sarah Olson - School Improvement

- We have decided on a Gazebo and are all set to purchase it; it will hold an entire classroom with benches
- We are waiting for school committee approval; still need to determine logistics on site location

Jenn Clifford

- 5th Grade went to Project Adventure last week, it was a great success; students from all three elementary schools were broken down into groups of 10 which was each led by a 10th grader
- the last PARCC tests are happening this week then we are done!
- Kindergarten registration is underway, so far there are 38 kids registered at Cutler; incoming students will come in for a visit in June
- All School meeting is June 8th

Kathleen O'Connor - Minutes

• The minutes from the April meeting were voted on and approved

Ken Swanson - Treasurers Report

• Ken provided an overview of the budget which is on track for the year

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Amy Howell - Free Money

- We received \$200 from Target!
- Box Tops winners all get a pencil and a "cake walk" ticket to use at the Cutler games; 2nd graders were the grand prize Box Top winners and will get an extra recess

**Next Friends of Cutler Meeting will be on June 8th following the All School Meeting; Lorraine Der, HWPL Children's Room Director will be our featured guest speaker, *Minutes submitted respectfully by Kathleen O'Connor, Secretary*