**Ashford Parent Teacher Organization**

**Meeting Minutes**

**January 7, 2019**

1. **Called to order** at 7:09. In attendance were: Rebecca Haeger, Kim Johnston, Michelle Nemeth, Chonte Fields, Heather Lewis, and Rachael Beaulieu
2. **Communications**:
   1. **Guest Speakers**: none
   2. **Correspondence**: Several letters and cards of thanks for the books received from the book fair, teacher luncheon, and assemblies
   3. **Principle’s report**: table
3. **Committee chair planning reports:**
   1. **Big Y** (Kim Johnston): table. A new chairperson is needed for this position.
   2. **Birthday books** (Nicole/Bethany): tomorrow books will be given out for June and summer birthdays. A new chairperson is needed for this position.
   3. **Book Fair** (Nicole): Heather L. will be the new chair. The previous book fair was a success and raised $1508.17 after expenses.
   4. **Box Tops** (Heather L.): Box tops will be going completely digital. The box top app will need to be used to scan register receipts in order for the school to earn money from this program.
   5. **Career Fair** (Michelle N.): tabled till Spring 2020
   6. **Cultural Arts** (Lisa Centola): table
   7. **Learning Courtyard Gardens** (Michelle N.): table
   8. **Leveled Reading Program: (**Ms. Makuch) table
   9. **Library Champions** (Sue Irvine): Motion made by Rebecca and seconded by Heather to discontinue this program. The remaining books will be donated to the library. Motion by Heather and seconded by Rachael to use the remaining money for this program and use it toward literary supplies for the library.
   10. **Publicity** (Kim Johnston): table
   11. **Science Workshops** (Carly Imhoff/Gina Burnham/Dory Moore/Kelly Knotts): table
   12. **Spring Jamboree:**  several ideas were discussed including the possibility of discontinuing the jamboree due to lack of volunteers
   13. **Stop and Shop** (Nicole): table. A new chairperson is needed for this position.
4. **Old Business:** none
5. **New Business:**
   1. **Treasurer’s Report:** Motion to accept Rebecca, seconded by Kim J., motion passed
   2. **Upcoming Events:**
      1. Kim and Rebecca are willing to do grinders again this summer if the July 9th summer concert date is available.
      2. Family Fun Day is Sept 15th and the PTO will be supplying the bouncy house again
      3. The next PTO Today Expo will be Sept 26th in Hartford.
6. **Items from the floor:** none
7. **Meeting Adjourned:** 8:41pm