



Minutes

HP Gives a Hoot Committee Meeting

6/15/22 8:30 Held over zoom conferencing

Meeting called by Michael Buchman, Chair

Type of meeting Regular Meeting

Attendees Michael Buchman, Kamara Russo, Marilyn Pruce

1. The meeting came to order at 8:31 pm on Zoom.
2. The finance report was reviewed
As of July 27, 2022, HP Gives a Hoot had a balance of \$30,775.96. Deducting unavailable funds and expected expenditures, we project an end of year balance of \$10,331.40* without further donations.

| | 4/18/2022 | 6/7/2022 | 7/27/2022 |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Current Total Balance of the account: | 35,301.24 | 34,828.60 | 30,775.96 |
| Remaining Balance of the Fire Relief Fund* | 5,321.00 | 5,321.00 | 5,321.00 |
| Est Summer Camp (20 campers) for year** | 6,400.00 | 6,400.00 | 6,400.00 |
| Est Global Grace costs for year*** | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Less Mayor's Event donation | 3000 | 3000 | 3000 |
| S | 523.56 | 523.56 | 523.56 |
| Return of unspent grant | 5200.00 | 5200.00 | 5200.00 |
| Available Gives a Hoot Fund | 14,856.68 | 14,384.04 | 10,331.40 |
| *Using the Fire Fund | 20,177.68 | 19,705.04 | 15,652.40 |
| **Excluding Summer Camp | 21,256.68 | 20,784.04 | 16,731.40 |
| ***Excluding Global Grace | 14,856.68 | 14,384.04 | 10,331.40 |
| Available Gives a Hoot Fund (from above) | 14,856.68 | 14,384.04 | 10,331.40 |
| Est Purchases (\$500/month) | 4,000.00 | 3,500.00 | 2,500.00 |
| Est end-or-year bal. (without donations) | 10,856.68 | 10,884.04 | 7,831.40 |
| Expenditures on groceries (prior month) | \$425.65 | \$721.99 | \$552.54 |
| Deposits prior month | \$275.00 | \$400.00 | \$1,104.00 |
| End of year Target (6000 food+9600 camp) | | \$15,600.00 | \$15,600.00 |
| Fundraising target before Fall Solicitation | | \$4,715.96 | \$7,768.60 |



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ADJUSTED PROJECTION: If we want to offer 30 camp scholarships instead of the 20 budgeted (as we did last year with a special donation), we'll need to raise about \$7800 total before our winter 2022 solicitation.

Kami shared that since June we've received \$1400 additional donations for a total of \$2500 since the 2nd donation letter went out.

3. Hoot table at Arts in the Park 9/11/22: Discussion of having a table to distribute literature, recruit drivers and ways to staff the table. Discussed joining with Food Pantry.
4. **Support for teen basketball.** The Borough approved our grant to the Teen Center to pay \$350 for the cost of a team of 15 HP teens to play in a summer basketball league. The original request to Hoot was for \$250, but the request was raised to \$350 as fees increased. While approval was pending the deadline for registration came, so the coach paid the fee. Hoot will reimburse him instead of the basketball league.
5. **Food distribution.** We're serving about 39% more clients this year compared to last. The operation is running smoothly. Congrats to Ashton and his team and to our drivers: Geno Rice, Scott Brustein, John Marron, and Bill Winfrey.
Clients served in 2021 averaged 32/week and 45/week in 2022 through last week. Last year we have served 1638 visits. Through July 2022 we have already served 1300.
6. **Delivery to Borough Housing.** We did not find summer substitute volunteers. In the fall Evelyn Sedehi and Diane Reh (using Hoot credentials at Replenish per agreement with Replenish) plan to continue delivering groceries to the Borough Housing Authority building, and residents and the Housing Authority board are grateful. A resident facilitates distribution. Evelyn and Diane will deliver three Tuesdays per month.
7. **School Weekend Food Backpack Program.** No progress to report from VP Jason Richardson. Mike emailed VP Jason, who then asked for Mike's thoughts. Mike suggested identifying potential clients, contacting them and signing them up with free and reduced lunch applications. Ashton and Jason have been in touch by phone.
8. **HP Gives a Hoot flyers:** Agreed to hold off distribution through the schools until October.

Old Business:

9. Web page and Facebook revision.
10. Publicizing Hoot in public places. Volunteer(s) to get additional fliers from Monica and post them in public places.
11. Recruit another Replenish driver or two.
12. Expand the Hoot Commission by one or two to handle minutes, etc

13. New Business: None

14. Our next meeting will be via Zoom at 8:30 pm on the third Wednesday of September, 9/21/2022.
15. Adjourned at 8:54 pm



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| Action Item | Who | Due | Status |
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| Find and update Hoot flyer for distribution at Arts in the Park | Mike | 9/11 | |
| Create a flyer asking for volunteers for distribution at Arts in the Park | Marilyn | 9/11 | |
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Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Pruce
Secretary