

Hammond Middle School PTA

Meeting Minutes for October 11th, 2016

Attendees:

- Sumaira Bajwa, President
- Tricia Miller, Treasurer
- Mollie Baer, 2nd VP
- Cathy Stohlman, Secretary
- Lynne Ward, Co- Chair Staff Appreciation
- Kerry Dufresne, Principal
- Tami Baldwin, PTACHC Rep
- Kerri Ukstins, Co- Chair Staff Appreciation
- Diane Garey, 8th Grade Dance Chair
- Margaret Finegan, Spelling Bee Chair

Minutes

- **Opening:** The meeting was called to order by PTA President, Sumaira Bajwa.
- **Secretary's Report (Cathy Stohlman):** September's meeting took place at Back to School Night. No minutes were recorded. Parents' in attendance voted unanimously to pass the proposed budget for the 2016-17 school year.
Treasurer's Report (Tricia Miller): The current cash position for the PTA is \$7,278.15. Books are ready for audit on 10/31/16 Expenses include spirit wear, office supplies and staff appreciation.
- **PTACHC Report (Tami Baldwin):** Mobile version of Canvas now available. Feedback and subsequent discussion took place at monthly PTACHC meeting with regards to student suspension data, how it is collected and what information does it reveal. The Adopt-a-staff program has 48 participating staff members this year.
- **1ST VP (Sumaira for Reed Racette):** The Spelling Bee is scheduled for January 19th in the middle school gymnasium. Weather make-up date is January 23rd. Student's who *enter* to participate will get a gift card from Chick-F-La. The Teacher who *refers* the most students to enter will receive an Amazon gift card. The Color Run is scheduled for the spring. A date to be determined soon. The Staff Appreciation Chair's will be planning a dinner for Parent- Teacher conferences in November. Details to follow.
- **2nd VP Report (Mollie Baer):** The Fall Fling is set for Friday October 21st. To date approximately 150 kids have signed up. The last day to turn in permission slips on line and at school is Wednesday the 19th. There will be a spirit wear table set up that afternoon right outside of the media center.
- **President's Report (Sumaira Bajwa):** Sumaira is assuming the responsibilities of Webmaster as the previous volunteer is no longer available for the position. Anyone planning on placing an announcement in the PTA newsletter must forward their information to Sumaira by the 24th of the month. The first Box Tops contest has ended. There are 3 contests held from September to June. In the fall and winter there is a prize for the student who collects the most tops in each grade. In the spring, one prize goes to an entire grade. Students place the box tops in a jar located in the main office. The contest is advertized in

the PTA newsletter, school announcements and email blasts. We have earned \$176.00 so far this year. HMS family night at Sky Zone earned \$325.00.. We currently have 56 families linked to the Harris Teeter grocery rebate program. Last year we had 77 families. We are trying to reach a goal of 100 families. The student directory is completed and will be forwarded to participating families in November. We have 154 families listed in the directory this year. Please “Like” us on Facebook to get the word out about our different activities, events and fundraisers

- **Principal’s Report (Kerri Dufresne):** Staff and the Administrative staff are very grateful for the back to school luncheon provided by the PTA in August. Parent-Teacher conferences will take place in November. Interim report cards coming out this week. First round of MAP testing is under way.

- **New Business**

Mr. Graf sent out a survey to all 8th graders to get input on a theme for the 8th grade dance to be held in the spring. Date for the dance to be set at a later date.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, November 9th at 6:30, in the Media Center. All are welcome.

Action Items

Amanda Yu to set date for Color Run

Diane Garey to set date for 8th grade dance.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cathy Stohlman, HMS PTA Secretary.
