

Hammond Middle School PTA

Meeting Minutes for May 9th, 2017

Attendees:

- Sumaira Bajwa, President
- Mollie Baer, 2nd VP
- Cathy Stohlman, Secretary
- Tami Baldwin, PTACHC Rep
- Lynne Ward, Co- Chair Staff Appreciation
- Kerri Ukstins, Co- Chair Staff Appreciation
- Tatiana Pham, Membership Directory Chair
- Deveonne Hamilton-Stokes, Gift Card Chair
- Ravinder Sandhoo, Membership Chair
- Kerry Dufresne, Principal
- Diane Garey, 8th Grade Dance Chair
- Tricia Miller, Treasurer

Minutes

- **Opening:** The meeting was called to order.
- **Secretary's Report (Cathy Stohlman):** Cathy made a request to pass April's general meeting minutes. Mollie seconded the motion. Minutes passed.
- **Elections were held:** The nominating committee made up of Tricia Miller, Kerri Ukstins, and Cathy Stohlman presented the nominations. The following people were unanimously elected for HMS PTA Board for the 2017-18 school year:

Sumaira Bajwa	President	Incumbent
Mollie Baer	1 st VP	Incumbent
Lisa Beck	Treasurer	New
Tricia Miller	Recording Secretary	New in this position
Tami Baldwin	PTACHC Rep 1	Incumbent
John Woodson	PTACHC Rep 2	Incumbent

- **Treasurer's Report (Tricia Miller):** The current cash balance for the PTA is \$6,885.51 The PTA earned \$427.00 from the sale of Hershey Park tickets and received a check for \$207.00 for box top contributions. Expenses this past month include liability insurance, office supplies, Hershey Park trip, cultural arts fee, staff appreciation and Homewood school donation.
- **PTACHC Report (Tami Baldwin):** Representatives were not able to attend the meeting this month
- **Principal's Report (Kerri Dufresne):** Staff Appreciation week was a tremendous success. Thank you to Kerri Ukstins, Lynne Wood and all the volunteers who donated their time, money and food. There is an interim Superintendent in place (2 years) making personal visits to each HC school. Kerri D. sent out a letter to all parents with regards to the sensitive nature of a show on Netflix, "13 Reasons.." and to make parents aware that their student may hear others talking about the subject matter. Interim report cards go out next week. The school concert (during the school day) for Chorus, Band & Orchestra is May 18th. MAP testing begins May 22nd. The Enrichment Fair is May 24th from 6:30 to 8:30pm. Hammond High

school will be hosting the HMS Band on Tuesday, May 30th in the evening, and the Orchestra May 31ST. Field Day schedule; June 9th-6th grade, June 12th-7th grade and June 13th 8th grade. The 8th grade Teacher's are planning a breakfast for the 8th graders the same day. Some student's have indicated a need for financial assistance with the admission cost to the 8th grade dance. The PTA will assist those who request it. Back-to-school night for next academic school year has been scheduled for September 14th

- **1st VP Report (Mollie Baer):** Staff Appreciation was well received and on budget. Parents donated over \$200.00. There are funds remaining in the staff appreciation budget. The coordinators will look into a small individual gift for each teacher. Carrying over the remaining funds for next year's budget was also mentioned. Restaurant night at Ginza Japanese Steakhouse in Laurel was small. The last fundraiser of the year will be held at Bertucci's. The last box tops contest runs through 6/2/17. The winning prize for most tops collected will be a Rita's gift card for one winner per grade. Parents have been informed students can drop their box tops off in the cafeteria and the front office. The recommendation was made to place a box top contest flyer in the welcome folder for incoming 6th graders. The 8th grade Farewell Celebration, *Hollywood; a Night to Remember* is scheduled for Friday, June 9th from 7-9p.m. Parents of 8th graders are needed to volunteer the day before to decorate the gym and parents of 6th & 7th grade parents are needed the evening of the dance. Look for eblast sign up. The class picture CD is almost completed. Mr. Ebbe is waiting to add pictures from the Genesee Valley Field trip May 25th.
- **President's Report (Sumaira Bajwa):** The budget for the 8th grade gift is \$500.00. The portable sound system discussed at last month's meeting will cost a little around \$200.00. In the mean time contact was made with a parent who owns his own wood working business and can a make a table for the media center. Suggestions were made to buy the portable system and carry over the remaining funds to next year's budget, purchase the table for \$500.00 or find a way to do both. Discussion about whether the students should vote for what they want was mentioned.

New Business

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, June 6th at 6:15, in the Media Center. All are welcome.

HMS Teacher's Secretary, Lynn Woods's son passed away in the beginning of May. Services are May 11th. Lynn will return to work shortly

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cathy Stohlman, HMS PTA Secretary.
