

Hammond Middle School PTA

Meeting Minutes for December 10, 2018

Attendees:

- Donna Boudreau, President
- Tricia Miller, Treasurer
- Mollie Baer, Recording Secretary
- Tara Terry, Corresponding Secretary
- Dupe Fajembola, PTACHC Delegate
- Lynne Ward, Staff Appreciation Co-Chair
- Nicole Alston, Membership Chair
- Tatiana Pham, Directory Chair
- Ricardo Morales, Parent
- Tiffany George, Parent
- Carson Wargo
- Jamie Dickie
- Eli Dickie
- Tami Baldwin, Adopt A Staff, Harris Teeter
- Anna Beavan, First Vice President
- Mary Coleman, First Vice President
- Aaron Dale, HMS Principal

Minutes

- **Welcome:** The meeting was called to order by PTA President, Donna Boudreau and Principal, Aaron Dale.
- **Secretary's Report (Mollie Baer):**
 - The minutes from the November 2018 PTA meeting were presented for approval. No revisions were proposed. Tricia Miller made a motion to approve the minutes; Lynne Ward seconded the motion. The motion passed with no objections.
- **Principal's Report (Aaron Dale):**
 - **Enrollment:**
 - **School Improvement Committee/Restorative Practice Training:** each year at this time there is a spike in altercations between students. We are at a higher number than last year. We have 5 so far, last year 6-8 all year. Overall data is down compared to previous years. Recently there were incidents on the busses that parents questioned. Bus drivers do not intervene in fights,

what action can be taken? Bus driver contacted school, school contacted authorities, police would contact the school about the next steps to be taken.

- **PBIS:** CFA Spirit Night December 12th
 - **Misc.** Dr Dale wanted to be sure we were receiving weekly updates? Teacher of the Year nominations are ongoing. On December 4th new ratings were released. HMS received 5 stars!!! 30th out of 338 MS in the state of MD! 1 of 6 in the county that got the 5 star rating based on PARCC scores, growth shown in PARCC. Surveys were administered from 17-18 school year. What HMS did to get this rating: additional staffing to lower class numbers, changed planning periods to collaborate with additional PLC (professional learning community) if schools are not performing well, the county would have to id areas to improve upon, help build a plan, it would affect jobs, etc.
 - **Cultural Proficiency:** In cooperation with the No Place for Hate Initiative: trying to address areas or actions that resemble hate with in the school. Staff went through bullying and harassment training, cultural proficiency and restorative practice training. PBIS meeting Wednesday, introduce to staff in January. CO support will help Jan-June activities to kick initiatives off
 - **Parent information/education nights:** Wednesday January 16th 6-7:30
- **Treasurer's Report (Tricia Miller):**
 - Tricia reports that our current balance is \$13,192.01
 - Income: Membership, Donations, Spirit Wear, Staff Appreciation
 - Expenses: copies for gift cards, GEO Bee, PBIS, Staff Appreciation
 - Charitable Solicitation Filing due the end of December
 - **PTACHC Report (Dupe Fajembola):**
 - **Open volunteer positions:** scholarships committee, diversity equity and inclusion committee and operating budget.
 - **Board of Education:** Proposed budget, changes to dress code submissions due by January 10th, February 14th public hearings, May 9th vote on new policies.
 - **PTACHC priorities:** mental health presentation on proposing new social workers and other staff to help students with local mental health services.
 - **APFO:** market rate fees modify rates charge and fees low compared to surrounding counties 1.26 per square foot. Should be 4,6,8 January 12 APFO working session
 - **MISC:** December 20 recycled item to Homewood December 16 water quality testing results will be published on line
 - **President's Report (Donna Boudreau):**
 - January meeting???
 - Donated to winter bonanza
 - School supplies? Evaluate for next year.
 - Launch had to be canceled due to snow
 - **Committee Reports (Committee Chairs):**
 - **Gift cards:** not as successful as in past, online feature added this year

- **8th Grade Dance:** need 8 grade dance chair
 - **Harris Teeter Program:** Harris Teeter earned \$480
 - **Staff Appreciation:** lunch for conferences from Panera, went well
 - **Directory Committee:** should we have a directory this year? Invite to google doc for info
 - **Membership incentive?** Main event gift card? Only 5 families submitted for grade level who got the most members new things next year?
 - **Geo bee and spelling bee:** any push possible from teachers? Enrollment is low. Flyers? Morning announcements? Mr Ebbe include in weekly update
 - **Oversight Committee:** see attached for disbursement
 - **Adopt a staff:** appreciate your staff member please
 - **Newsletter:** geo bee, spelling bee, links working? Not working? Work through Ms Rudacille to fix
 - **Amazon smiles?**
 - **Ice skating:** February
 - **Restaurant nights:** Are there any scheduled?
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- **Closing:** Next meeting is January TBD, 2018 at 6:15. Mr Morales made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Anna seconded; the motion passed.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Mollie Baer, HMS PTA Secretary.