

Hammond Middle School PTA

Meeting Minutes for March 14, 2019

Attendees:

- Mary Coleman, 1st Vice President
- Anna Beavan, 2nd Vice President
- Mollie Baer, Secretary
- Tricia Miller, Treasurer
- Tara Terry, Corresponding Secretary
- Melody Morales, Hershey Park/Nominating Committee
- Lynne Ward, Staff Appreciation Co-Chair
- Tricia George, Parent
- Rebecca Paskill, 8th Grade Dance
- Aaron Dale, HMS Principal

Minutes

- **Welcome** The meeting was called to order by PTA Vice President, Anna Beavan.
- **Principal's Report (Aaron Dale):**
 - **Music:** adjudication took place, was successful
 - **Testing:** MESA testing complete for 8th graders. Teachers go to PD to learn how to teach the test.
 - **Diversity Doors:** judged April 1
 - **Walkouts:** new guidelines for student walkouts handed down from HCPSS
 - **Viking Voice:** cruise for 8th graders? See below
 - **Cell Phones:** working well take, call parents for violations, next year 6th and 7th
 - **Recognitions:** Mr Ebbe was recognized by HCPSS
 - **Volunteer Breakfast:** Tuesday April 2nd 9:00
 - **PBIS:** March/April up in office referrals historically more referrals but same students are repeat offenders. Using behavioral specialists in a new program through Student Services, trains other staff and social workers being shared amongst schools.
 - **Cultural Proficiency/Restorative Practices:** progress is slow but being made
 - **8th Grade Promotion: Friday June 21 2 family members** attend
 - **CFA Spirit Night:** March 20
 - **Field Trip:** 7th grade Holocaust Museum, 8th grade Romeo and Juliet
 - **Strut with Staff Competition:** March 27 7pm Rouse Theatre with Bright Minds Foundation fundraiser teams compete Awesome 80's
 - **Communication:** how are the email blasts working?

- **Secretary's Report (Mollie Baer):**
 - The minutes from the February 2019 PTA meeting were presented for approval. No revisions were proposed. Lynn made a motion to approve the minutes; Mary seconded the motion. The motion passed with no objections.

- **Treasurer's Report (Tricia Miller):**

Total Balance for February was \$12,663.93. Income came from a Horizons Grant, Box Tops, Restaurant Night, Amazon Smiles. Expenses were Photocopies, Spelling Bee, Geography Bee, Hospitality Events

- **PTACHC Report :**

Representative was unable to attend this month's meeting but the notes from the PTACHC meeting are up on the website.

- **President's Report :**
 - **Color Run:** committee chair has to step down, can someone take over? Anna and Mary? Will discuss.
 - **Hersheypark:** due date is Monday March the 25th wrong in the newsletter and wrong email
 - **8th grade dance:** Spirit of Baltimore Tuesday June 18th cost \$58/student including bus will get contract and finalize price per student \$60/\$65? What price would be fair? Follow up next month
 - **Restaurant Nights:** Chiptole March 19th CFA, March 20th (PBIS), April 24th Shake Shack, June 6th Chutney Restaurant. Mary will follow up regarding May
 - **Eblasts? Policy and Procedure:** Ms. Schantz or Ms. Rudacille through Tara give her a few business days
 - **Staff Appreciation:** pizza on Valentine's day, staff appreciation week the first full week in May
 - **Gift:** Anna will check with both sign companies, \$10,000 for digital, non digital half that.
 - **Nominating Committee:** will begin deliberations soon
 - **Community Building:** Tara Terry and Leigh String went to New Horizons grant trainings, regarding Angst film and discussion. This is the frontline for mental illness, anxiety and depression, we need to support and change the stigmas surrounding teen anxiety and depression, this film and panel discussion with question and answers from counselors get into those topics. Showing April 4th at 6:30 pm, Hammond HS. Regarding the grant in school, PBIS needs to decide what date they want for Screenagers, April 25th in the gym? Check with Building use, should we join with ES? Check on LCD projector, equipment and speaker situation. We can offer a date in the fall, too. In school activities include speaking with counselors and desensitization games. Contact amanda@grassrootscrisis.org for info on mental health. Send out eblasts for Horizon Foundation.
 - **Suggestions:** executive board meeting housekeeping meeting? Date?

- **Closing:** Next meeting is Thursday April 11th. Tara made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Tricia seconded; the motion passed.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Mollie Baer, HMS PTA Secretary.