# Hammond Middle School PTA

# Meeting Minutes for May 11, 2015

### **Attendees:**

- Pat Johnson, President
- Jen Larsson, Treasurer
- Tricia Miller, Secretary
- Amy Shugar, Event Coordinator
- Cathy Stohlman, Nominating Committee
- Kerry Dufresne, HMS Principal
- Julie Nienhuis, Member
- Alice Lao, Member
- Sumaira Bajwa, Visitor

### **Minutes**

- **Opening:** The meeting was called to order by PTA President, Pat Johnson. Roundtable introductions were made.
- **Nominating Committee:** There were insufficient members present to vote in our Board and Chairpersons for next year. We will try again at the June meeting.
- Secretary's Report (Tricia Miller): The April 2015 meeting minutes were presented. No revisions were proposed. Cathy Stohlman made a motion to approve the minutes; Jen Larsson seconded; the motion passed with no opposition.
- Treasurer's Report (Jen Larsson): The current cash position for the PTA is \$6,012.75. Interest income was received. Numerous expenses were paid including: photocopying, the Color Run, Homewood donation, staff appreciation, box tops and 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance. Jen reviewed the status of the budget in the context of remaining expenses to be paid / spirit wear to be purchased over the summer. It was agreed that the 8<sup>th</sup> grade gift would be large flower planters by the school entrance. The planters will be in place by June 5<sup>th</sup> (the 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance). There was some discussion about how to handle the expenses paid / incurred to date for the Color Run.
- **Membership (Heather Witt):** Although Heather was not present at the meeting, it was noted that there are some membership cards that need to be returned to MD PTA.
- PTACHC Report (John Woodson): not present / no update

# • 1st Vice President's Report (Pat Johnson reporting for Liz Boateng):

- Staff Appreciation: staff appreciation week is ongoing (May 11-15). The theme is Sail Into the End of School. Monday is "Margarita Monday", Tuesday is Continental breakfast, Wednesday is International lunch, Thursday is appetizers and Friday is ice cream sundaes. A sign up genius was sent out and there are still some spots available.
- o **Restaurant Night (Amy Shugar reporting)**: Chick Fil A fundraiser is tomorrow night. We received \$268 from the April event and \$355 from the earlier event. On May 27<sup>th</sup>, there will be a joint restaurant night in Kings Contrivance Village Center Trattoria and Rita's. A flyer must be provided at Trattoria's for us to get credit for the sale. Rita's will give us a percent of the day's sales. This amount will be applied to the Rita's invoice for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance.

# • 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President's Report (Amy Shugar reporting for Shari Obler):

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance: invitations just went home this week. The committee is actively seeking volunteers for both setup and the event. Sign-up genius has been distributed. Amy is still pulling some details together; but, things are shaping up nicely.

## Principal's Report (Kerry Dufresne):

Important dates / info: the last two days of school have a 2 and 3 hour early dismissal, respectively. Field Days have been scheduled for June 15<sup>th</sup> (6<sup>th</sup> grade), June 16<sup>th</sup> (7<sup>th</sup> grade) and June 18<sup>th</sup> (8<sup>th</sup> grade). Back to School night has been scheduled for September 10<sup>th</sup> for next school year. Next year, the county has negotiated a 3 day Outdoor Education (ODE) field trip that will be consistent throughout the county. ODE will continue to take place at Northbay.

#### President's Report (Pat Johnson):

Run for the Colors: although there was a lot of last minute interest / registrations, it was
decided to reschedule this event until the fall. We did not have enough volunteers to safely
staff the event. Furthermore, participations levels did not justify the overall expense. Feedback
was received that the after school time was not ideal for many families to attend.

#### • New Business:

- Tentative Dates for Fall / Winter Events: the Color Run will be held on September 19<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of September 26<sup>th</sup>. The Fall Fling will be held on October 15<sup>th</sup>.
- **Closing:** Jen Larsson made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Cathy Stohlman seconded; the motion passed.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Tricia Miller, HMS PTA Secretary.