# Hammond Middle School PTA

Meeting Minutes for June 9, 2015

### **Attendees:**

- Pat Johnson, President
- Liz Boateng, 1st VP
- Shari Obler, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP
- Jen Larsson, Treasurer
- Tricia Miller, Secretary
- John Woodson, PTACHC Rep
- Amy Shugar, 8th grade Dance
- Cathy Stohlman, Nominating Committee
- Mary Hughes, Nominating Committee
- Zereana Jess-Huff, Nominee
- Sumaira Bajwa, Nominee
- Bruce Sartwell, Nominee
- Joanne Ashton, Nominee
- Zhangpeng Li, Member
- Kerry Dufresne, HMS Principal

## **Minutes**

- **Opening:** The meeting was called to order by PTA President, Pat Johnson. Roundtable introductions were made.
- Nominating Committee: Mary Hughes read the list of nominated individuals

President	Pat Johnson
1st Vice President	Samaira Bajwa
2nd Vice President	Zereana Jess-Huff
Treasurer	Tricia Miller
Secretary	Cathy Stohlman
Membership	Heather Gallagher
PTACHC Representative	Liz Boateng
PTACHC Representative	Bruce Sartwell
Webmaster	Mark Johnson
Staff Appreciation	Nana Butterfield / Julie Nienhuis
Adopt a Staff	Sherry Stephanos
Restaurant Nights	Denise Simmerly
Ice Skating Night	Kristina de Leuww
Box Tops	Mary San Antonio

Spirit Wear	Karen Beck
Student Directory	Tina Addo
Fall Fling	Cathy Stohlman
8th Grade Dance	Joanne Ashton
Geography Bee	Lisa Turner
Spelling Bee	Alice Lao
Rainbow Run	Denise Davis

All positions have been filled except shopping benefits. Shari Obler made a motion to approve the nominations. Liz Boateng seconded the motion. The nominations were unanimously approved.

- Secretary's Report (Tricia Miller): The May 2015 meeting minutes were presented. No revisions were proposed. A suggestion was made to include a link to the minutes in the PTA newsletter. Shari made a motion to approve the minutes; John Woodson seconded; the motion passed with no opposition.
- **Treasurer's Report (Jen Larsson):** The current cash position for the PTA is \$7,206.72. The following income items were reported this month: membership, restaurant night, box tops, 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance and interest. Numerous expenses were paid including: 8<sup>th</sup> grade gift, staff appreciation, insurance and 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance. Jen expects to receive additional expenses associated with the 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance.
- Membership (Heather Witt): Although Heather was not present at the meeting, it was noted that there may still be some membership cards that need to be returned to MD PTA. Pat will follow up with Heather on this.

#### • PTACHC Report (John Woodson):

- Upcoming meetings scheduled re: school start times and fees for community use of school property
- The teachers' contract is still being negotiated.
- PTACHC needs a treasurer
- The School Safety Manager gave a presentation. HCPSS administrators will receive training on "incident management". All school safety plans have been reviewed. Parents are not permitted to review an individual school's lockdown procedures.

### • 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President's Report (Liz Boateng):

- Staff Appreciation: This week, the staff will be treated to chocolate fondue! A sign up genius was included in the last newsletter.
- Restaurant Night: The dual event with Trattoria and Rita's was a success. Trattoria has
  expressed interest in participating in additional restaurant nights next year.

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

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance: Amy reported that the dance was a success! It was a well-planned and flawlessly executed event. Much appreciation goes out to Amy and her committee for their time and effort. Amy has scheduled a celebration / lessons learned meeting for next week. DVDs and spirit wear will be distributed to the 8<sup>th</sup> graders on Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>.

## • Principal's Report (Kerry Dufresne):

- o **ODE incident:** a student was injured during the 6<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Northbay.
- Modified Lockdown / Student Incident: Kerry briefed the Board on a recent matter between student and the corresponding lockdown. A modified lockdown results in all students remaining inside the building (i.e., no classes would be held in the portables and no outside recess). Any student with a pre-arranged early dismissal would not be affected in this stuation.
- o **Thank You:** Kerry thanked the outgoing board members for their service.

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

- Run for the Colors: this event has been pushed back for the fall. Many volunteers are needed to make this happen. Woody suggested reaching out to the area high schools for help. Pat stated that the police require adult volunteers for the race marshals but possibly high school students could help in other areas.
- o 8<sup>th</sup> grade gift: 2 new and beautiful flower pots are now located at the entrance to the school.
- Summer Board Meeting(s): info will be coming regarding budget committee and gearing up for next fall.
- **Girls on the Run:** is being planned for next year at HMS. Several volunteer coaches are needed to make this program a success.
- New Business: the newly elected Board / Committee members will be posted on the PTA website.
- **Closing:** Amy Shugar made a motion to adjourn the meeting; John Woodson seconded; the motion passed.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Tricia Miller, HMS PTA Secretary.