

April 16, 2007

HBHS PTSA Minutes

Attendance: Marsha Cone-Roddy, Trish MacDonald, Lex Bundschuh, Dianne Bonta, Jean Filer, Tim Kelley, Kristen Berry, Erin Magee, Steve Connors, Samantha McElroy

National Honor Society

Mr. Connors and Ms. McElroy discussed the National Honor Society: (See attached handout.)

- They hope to educate the school community about the function of the group and induction process. To this end, they will meet with Freshmen and Sophomores in the future to introduce the organization.
- The National Honor Society meets once a month. They donate time and money to community projects. Some examples are the blood drive, a plaque for the new track, and a holiday gift drive.
- The application process was discussed. (See attached handout.) Discussion included questions and answers about the organization. Please see Mr. Connors or Ms. McElroy with your questions and comments. Thanks so much to both Mr. Connors and Ms. McElroy for sharing their time with us.

Mr. Kelley

- Mr. Kelley addressed building safety and the “graffiti” situation, which has been handled safely and efficiently. There was a brief discussion about the possibility of adding safety doors so all visitors would enter the building through the front office. The importance of students feeling comfortable confiding in adults was emphasized.
- There will be no Foreign Language Night this year. Awards will be announced on Class Day or on Awards Night.
- Class Day is tentatively set for Tuesday, June 5, and Senior Awards Night for Thursday, June 7.
- Mr. Tenters has received a grant to go to China for six weeks this summer.
- Mr. Kelley will look into the possibility of sending the school newsletter via e-mail.

Minutes of March 8, 2007

Lex Bundschuh made a motion to accept the minutes. Jean Filer seconded. The motion passed.

S-Team

- The PTSA has sent out the letter asking for donations. Checks should be made out to HBHS PTSA.
- There is a \$400 S-Team scholarship this year. The scholarship will be posted on the guidance website, in the newsletter, and around the school. Interested students can pick up applications in the guidance office. Applications must be submitted by May 18, and the scholarship winner will be announced at Senior Awards Night. Guidance will choose the winner, but the PTSA will look into having a representative on the committee that makes the selection. Lex Bundschuh has rewritten the application to make the scholarship more representative of the PTSA. Thanks, Lex.

Graduation Cruise

Jean Filer has reserved the boat and the busses for June 9. This year, PTSA will include a \$20 tip per bus driver in the final cost. Trish MacDonald will be in charge of food for the trip. Laurel Lang has volunteered to chaperone. We will need more chaperones. Erin Magee and Lex

Bundschuh have volunteered to chaperone if there are no couples who would like to go. Permission slips for the cruise will be sent home.

The prom will be held on May 25 at the Crowne Plaza. Lex will take care of the newspaper ad that encourages prom safety.

Nominating Committee

Three people are running for co-president of the PTSA: Trish MacDonald, Erin Magee, and Shelley Bower. Sheila Mandragouras is running for vice-president, Marsha Cone-Roddy for secretary, and Dianne Bonta for treasurer. Nominating will officially take place at the May PTSA meeting. The election will be a closed ballot unless only one person is running for the position. The nominating committee will count the ballots.

Treasurer's Report

- The S-Team raised \$7,130 to date, which is ahead of last year at this time. There is a current balance of \$12,042. Expenses for the mailing totaled \$2015. (\$877/postage; \$764/mail; \$374/envelopes)
- The regular account has a balance of \$7014.08. (See attached.)
- Between the March and April PTSA meetings, Debbie Champigny made a request for a donation of \$100 to help fund a lunch for an on-site SAU Special Education meeting. Jean Filer made a motion to fund the request, and Erin Magee seconded. The motion passed. It is respectfully stated that in the future all requests for money need to be presented at a PTSA meeting, rather than in between meetings, so they can be voted on by the membership. Please plan requests accordingly. Thanks.

Staff Appreciation

Kristen Berry and Lisa Schmalz will co-chair this committee for next school year (2007-8). Lisa Fait will help. A luncheon for the staff is being planned for May 8 or 9. Erin Magee made a motion to donate up to \$250. Lex Bundschuh seconded. The motion passed. E-mails will go out to ask for volunteers to bake for or work at the luncheon.

Garden Project

Lex B. will send out an e-mail requesting help with planting for the new garden area. The plan is to plant during the last week in May and possibly over the long holiday weekend. Donna Cormier and Monica Gallant are PTSA liaisons to the Green Group.

Old Home Day

The HBMS PTSA would like to know if the HBHS PTSA wants to help out with the OHD booth again this year. It was agreed that the HBHS PTSA will find a liaison to coordinate volunteers with the HBMS PTSA. This will be addressed further at the May meeting.

Booster Club

The Booster Club contacted Lex B. to ask whether the club could forward information about their "Dating Game" fundraiser to the PTSA's e-mail list. After discussion, it was decided not to allow this use of the PTSA e-mail list. Lex will relay this information to the Booster Club.

Meeting adjourned at 9:16 pm. Next meeting will be the second Thursday in May (May 10).

****Thanks to Kristen Berry for taking these notes!!!****

Respectfully Submitted,
Marsha Cone-Roddy