

September 14, 2006

HBHS PTSA Minutes

Attendance: Marsha Cone-Roddy, Kristen Berry, Lex Bundschuh, Trish MacDonald, Jill Russell, Erin Magee, Cindy Matte, Tim Kelley, Donna Cormier, Tammy Campbell, Anne Dumas, Dot Hyde

Welcome/Introductions

Welcome to Mrs. Cindy Matte, our new assistant principal. Mr. Manley left during the summer to become a principal at another school. We are extremely lucky to have Mrs. Matte join the staff at HBHS. She comes from the Nashua School District, where she has been assistant principal, dean of academic affairs, director of Student Services, and involved in the Freshman Academy.

Mr. Kelley spoke about the assembly on September 14 to recognize scholars and achievements in the junior and senior classes. The junior class scored first and second in the state on last year's state testing. Congratulations. Seniors were also recognized for national honors in math and debate, for 800s on the SATs, and for top scores on the AP exams. Five students were honored for being National Merit Semi-Finalists.

Sandy Demerest is the new School to Career Coordinator. She will be present at the next meeting to talk about her plans for community programs and internships for seniors.

Tracy Dunn is the Resource Officer. She will be present at a future meeting.

Nancy Hilliard is the new Social Studies department co-chair. She comes to HBHS from Nashua.

The attendance policy has changed this year. Students are expected to be present for a minimum of 80% of class time. Students who are absent more than that per quarter will not be graded for that quarter. They will be able to make up the grade during the next quarter if expectations are met.

The tardy policy has been revised. If students are tardy three times per quarter, they will get a detention. They will then get a detention for every tardy thereafter.

Parking passes are sold out. Money from passes will be put toward installation of a guardrail in the front lot by the baseball field. Money will also be put toward security cameras for the back parking lot.

Lunches are tight this year. Right now, many kids are eating outside. There were about 930 kids on opening day. The number has dropped to between 890-900 as of now.

Minutes of June 7, 2006

Trish MacDonald made a motion to accept the June minutes. Marsha Cone-Roddy seconded. The motion passed.

Landscaping

Marie Degulis is looking for help with the landscaping committee. HBHS PTSA has received a grant for \$5000 from Lowe's. The money must be spent over the course of the year. Marie is looking for volunteers to form a committee to decide how to spend the money and then to spend it! Interested volunteers can come to a meeting on Monday, September 25 at 3:00 at the patio in back of the school. Marie, Erin Magee, or Jill Russell are contact people.

Computer Lab

Interested volunteers can be in touch with Marsha Cone-Roddy. Mr. Quinn will be in touch when he has a schedule set up. Probably, volunteers will begin in October. Please note that no computer experience is necessary.

Membership

As of now, there are 141 members of the HBHS PTSA. During Open House, there will be two membership tables, one at the front entrance to the school and one at the back. Lex Bundschuh and Erin Magee will man the tables. Donna Cormier will be in touch with the NHS to see if students can man the tables during the classroom visitations. Trish MacDonald will speak with parents during the assembly.

Among other benefits and discounts, there is a 5% discount for PTSA members if they shop at Barnes and Noble online.

There was discussion about asking a representative from the PTSA to attend a faculty meeting to encourage teacher membership. The PTSA will also encourage teacher membership by holding a raffle for teachers who join the PTSA. The winner will receive a \$50 VISA gift card. Erin Magee will purchase the VISA card.

Student Directory

As of now, 215 copies of the directory have been ordered. The student who draws the front cover will receive a \$25 VISA gift card, which Erin Magee will purchase.

Olde Home Days

There are plenty of volunteers. PTSA will pick up the food from Walmart on Friday and store it at Nichols Field. Pete Bundschuh will set up the tent early Saturday morning. Thanks to Pete. Also thanks to Pete from the Middle School for setting up tables and chairs. The bottled water and plates are coming from the Middle School.

Parent Enrichment Series

Pat Marquette will once again organize a parent enrichment series. Thanks to Pat for doing such a wonderful job. There will be four workshops this year—in November, January, February, and April.

Communication

Material for the Newsletter needs to be submitted to Denise Hurt by the 15th of each month.

Treasurer's Report

See the report.

The next meeting of the HBHS PTSA will be on October 12 at 7:00 pm in the mini cafeteria. Please come.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marsha Cone-Roddy