

December 7, 2006

## HBHS PTSA Minutes

**Attendance:** Marsha Cone-Roddy, Trish MacDonald, Jean Filer, Lex Bundschuh, Marie Degulis, Donna Cormier, Dianne Bonta, Erin Magee, Tammy Campbell, Jill Russell, Sheila Mandragouras, Tim Kelley

### **Mr. Kelley**

Thank you to PTSA for the wonderful luncheon. Thanks to Marie Degulis and all the volunteers for the walkway. In the spring, crosswalks will be painted in the back parking lots and in the lower parking lot by the fields.

There was discussion about the morning carpool line and the afternoon carpool line, which sometimes blocks the entrance to front lot. Cameras have been installed in the back lot, and improvements have been made to the field lot with money from passes.

The nurse substitute issue has been solved by upping the pay for substitutes.

Important school issues to think about and publicize: Lack of space is causing class sizes to creep up; Athletic Director is teaching three classes; Need teachers. General discussion included what PTSA can do to help get the word out before the space issues begin to cause the school to lose teachers.

Background checks: This is an SAU issue. Mr. Pike attended a conference, and Mr. Kelley will share information at next meeting.

Course selections for next year will be online.

Thanks to Mr. Kelley for caring about the school and the teaching of our kids.

### **Minutes of November 1, 2006**

Two corrections were made to November minutes. Marie Degulis made a motion to accept the corrected minutes. Trish MacDonald seconded. The motion passed.

### **Landscaping**

The walkway is done and beautiful. Thanks to Marie for all her hard work. The landscaping needs a coordinator for the spring. Marie will share ideas. Please be in touch with her if you can coordinate this project. There is about \$2663 left (minus payment to Morin's) for the landscaping, which will include grass, mulch, and annuals.

### **Treasurer's Report**

See attached for balances and expenditures.

### **By-Laws**

The by-laws have been posted on the web site for review. Erin Magee made a motion to accept the by-laws. Trish MacDonald seconded. The motion passed.

### **Contract Negotiations**

Trish MacDonald discussed the status of contract negotiations for the support staff, which includes paraprofessionals, secretaries, cafeteria works, and maintenance. The staff hasn't had a raise in two years. There will be a meeting on December 20 in the Multipurpose Room at the Middle School at 5:30. Please attend to show support for the staff.

### **Staff Member Gift Card**

Barbara Boucher was the recipient of the gift card. Thanks to Erin Magee.

### **State PTSA Meeting**

Erin Magee attended the state meeting, which addressed Internet safety issues. I Safe offers free help for kids. Erin will share specifics of the program at the next meeting.

### **NH State PTA Awards**

Awards were presented at a ceremony in December, which Governor Lynch attended. The President's Award, new this year, was presented to the HBHS PTSA for its Parent Education Series. The series was a "leader in innovation" and "didn't bend to criticism." Thanks to Pat Marquette for all her hard work in organizing this series. The award is on display at the high school. The state PTSA was also very impressed with Marie and her work on the landscaping project. Other awards the PTSA might want to consider: Award for increased membership; Partnership Award.

### **January Meeting**

The January meeting usually features college freshmen who come to talk about their first-year college experiences. Trish will follow-up with parents of college freshman. Sheila will speak with her daughter.

### **Online Membership Dues Reporting**

Jean Filer and Denise Hurt will begin after the holidays.

### **Other Business**

Kate Ricci from The NH Teen Institute sent a note thanking PTSA for the donation.

**\*\*A special thank you goes out to Jean Filer for hosting this meeting at her home.\*\***

The next meeting of the HBHS PTSA will be on January 11 at 7:00 pm in the small cafeteria. Please come.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Marsha Cone-Roddy