

## HBMS PTSA Meeting Minutes – February 21, 2013

**Attendees:** Jeannette Hallerman, Penny Arsenault, Maryanne Shanley, Bob Thompson, Officer Bergeron, Krista Whalen, Cindy VanCoughnett, Lynn Ouellette, and Katie Corsetti

**Empty Bowls:** Lynn reported that in conjunction with Arts Night on May 22 she will hold the Empty Bowls fundraiser. This will take place in the gym. The goal has been to raise student awareness for hunger issues and to help where there is a need. She needs many volunteers to help sell bowls/serve ice cream that evening. Tammy Fareed is the volunteer coordinator and will help facilitate volunteers.

**Minutes:** Cindy motioned to approve the January meeting minutes. Krista seconded the motion. The motion passed; the minutes were approved.

**Principal's Report:** Bob reported that Susan Kinney proposed participating in Read Across America Week, so Spirit Week was weaved into that. Students have been participating appropriately and enthusiastically.

Lock downs occurred during lunch times for each grade. Students and staff moved into the kitchen. The drill was very successful. Officer Bergeron added that on Feb. 5 administration met with the emergency planning staffer for NH. The goal of that organization is to get all NH schools under the same protocol and to use the same emergency terminology. Fire chiefs from Hollis and Brookline were present. Officer Bergeron is working to schedule a second meeting.

Bob stressed that he hopes for parental support at the upcoming budget meeting.

**Coop Board:** Krista reported on the 10 Warrant Articles that are up for a vote.

**Treasurer's Report:** Penny reported a balance of \$13,862.42. Maryanne motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report and Bob seconded the motion. The motion passed.

### **Other:**

Staff Appreciation was rescheduled for March 15 with a spring picnic theme to include sandwiches and salad.

Farrah Coady will chair the 8<sup>th</sup> grade celebration.

Discussion followed about publicizing the Middle School and High School as the quality schools that they are.

Next meeting: March 21 at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted by Katie Corsetti