

Hollis-Brookline Middle School PTSA
January 20, 2015 General Meeting Minutes

A general membership meeting of the Hollis-Brookline Middle School Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA) was conducted on Tuesday Jan. 20, 2015 at 8:30 A.M. in the HBMS Conference Room.

Present: Laurie Miller & Mara Friedman, Co-Presidents, Terri Bair, Secretary, Bob Thompson-Principal, Patti Flynn-Assistant Principal, Deanne Martin, Jeanette Hallerman, Maryanne Shanley, Roberta Franzini.
Call to Order at 8:45am by Laurie Miller.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Laurie Miller presented the minutes from December 16, 2014. A motion to approve the minutes with 1 correction, and 1 question to be addressed at 2-15's meeting, was made by Laurie, seconded by Maryanne. Motion unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

No report.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

- New gym floor is in use. Opening ceremony with boys & girls basketball teams today.
- Mr. Bond and Mr. Lyle are retiring. Hiring process started.
- Looking at "Read 180" specialized reading program for next year.
- Public hearing for the co-op budget is Thursday Jan 22, 2015.
- Budget: significant SpEd costs coming to the coop, cutting PT social worker: guidance counselors, Principal, and Asst. Principal will pick up the caseload. Staffing for unforeseen SpEd needs a concern.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

- NEAP testing of select 8th graders, Feb. 10, 2015.
- 21st century learning: quarterly focus on best teaching practices: collaboration. 3rd quarter: critical thinking focus. Report will be given at end of the year.
- Raised about \$5000 so far in donations from parents & community members for DC trip.
- Spelling Bee is Jan. 21, 2015: qualifying rounds will take place during English classes.
- Thanks to Stacey DeJoie for helping organize dances. HS Sophomore class wants to host a semi-formal dance at the HS as a fundraiser. To be determined.
- Question: Yoga-Wednesdays after school starting the 28th. Need mats.
- 28 new MS student registrations this year, mostly 8th graders: coming from homeschooling, Nashua Catholic, and relocations.

OLD BUSINESS:

Next Dance: Valentine dance, to be put on by Team Summit.

COMMITTEES:

\$1700 raised by Kid Stuff fundraising books. Over 100 haven't been returned per Jeanette. Jeanette presented the new PTSA banner. It was \$27 for 2 banners.

NEW BUSINESS

Yoga class starting the 1/28/15. A request was made for yoga mats. A motion was made by Laurie, 2nd by Deanne M. to grant up to \$150 for the mats, which will remain property of HBMS. Unanimously approved.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jeanette, seconded by Bob, and we adjourned at 10:25 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Terri Bair