

Hollis-Brookline Middle School PTSA
November 19, 2015 General Meeting Minutes, HBMS Conference Room

Present: Farrah Coady & Mara Friedman-Co-Presidents, Terri Bair-Secretary, Penny Arsenault-Treasurer, Bob Thompson-Principal, Michele Decoteau, Patti Flynn-Asst Principal, Kim Jensen. Call to Order at 8:35 am by Terri.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Terri Bair presented the minutes from Oct 15, 2015. A motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Farrah and seconded by Penny. Motion unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

\$10,761.56 current balance.

Membership 65 = 46 public + 19 staff members.

49 requests for directories (\$ 151.45 income) 45 left.

\$220 in donations.

Motion made by Penny to accept the Treasurer's report, Terri second. Unanimously accepted.

Budget:

Discussion:

For teacher appreciation category, if there is money left at the end of the year, PTSA will purchase a new microwave and toaster oven for teacher lounge.

There is not enough income to sustain the PTSA budget. Solutions: increase PTSA member numbers, consider withdrawing from national PTA to allocate more money inhouse by becoming a PTO. Farrah to research getting insurance as a group (we currently have national PTA insurance).

Hold a membership drive. Help fundraise for the greenhouse, if it happens.

All budget items were reviewed. A motion to accept the budget as discussed made by Michele, seconded by Farrah.

Unanimous approval.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

School Digger.com: SBAC scores-we did really well. We are ranked #3.

HBMS started a robotics team: \$2500 grant from Robotics (Mrs. Marquette runs it).

Wednesday before Thanksgiving is a professional development day including level 1 FEMA incident training. DHS will be here to facilitate.

Erin White is interested in building a greenhouse as part of the Farm to Table movement...there is no money available presently nor expertise on how to build a greenhouse. This will be discussed again in December's meeting. Minimum needed \$10k. Nofa.org may be a good source for help.

OLD BUSINESS:

Scrip: Terri is doing Scrip. Order forms were emailed Tuesday by Bob.

NEW BUSINESS:

Next time: discuss by-laws

MEETING ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Penny, seconded by Mara, adjourned at 10:20am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Terri Bair