# Hollis-Brookline Middle School PTSA Apr 21, 2016 General Meeting Minutes, HBMS Conference Room

Present: Farrah Coady, Liz Gilbert, Terri Bair, Maryanne Shanley, Mara Friedman, Bob Thompson, Patti Flynn, Penny Arsenault, Mrs. Smith, Kathleen Brown, Christine Rosenblatt, Shera Brown, Angela Hultz. Call to Order at am by Farrah at 9:25.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Terri presented the minutes from March 2016. A motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Maryanne and seconded by Bob. Motion unanimously approved.

### PRINCIPAL

- -Teacher appreciation week is the week we return from April break.
- -HBCSB approved the Dept of Homeland Security grant of \$46000 for improvements to control building access, get key fobs, and upgrade surveillance system.
- -Crosswalk: State and Traffic Safety Committee approved it, but the town of Hollis has some arguments against it: it eliminates 2 parking spots in front of the rental property, a crosswalk will not change the safety of crossing at that area because kids may not be as cautious, the yield signs have to be changed to stop signs (so drivers might get stuck in winter). The HB community is encouraged to attend select board meetings and talk to/email to selectmen.
- -School garden project is ready to go and will be started this summer. HBMS will apply for micro grant to raise money for materials.
- -Board approved 2 teaching positions: French: Jessica Barrett, 1st year teacher currently doing immersion study in Paris; Science: Courtney Moore, grad of So. NH. 1st year teacher.
- -Mrs. Evans will retire at the end of this school year.
- -Asst. Superintendent position is down to 2 finalists.
- -HBMS needs coaches for: cross country, boys soccer, girls field hockey, girls soccer.
- -Need FT Special Ed Coordinator and IT person for instructional and support, develop lessons.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

- -Balance: \$12395.92
- -Rec'd \$375 so far in donations for 8th grade party.
- -Penny moved to accept report, second by Maryanne, unanimously approved.
- -The 8th grade celebration is lacking funds. Maryanne made a motion to increase the 8th grade celebration budget from \$100 to \$300, second by Liz, unanimously approved.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- -8th grade celebration: Wed June 15, 7-10. Luau theme. Canobie Thursday June 16.
- -7th grade celebration: Liz Gilbert coordinator. Last day of school barbecue. Thursday June 16.
- -Staff appreciation Thursday May 5 Farrah will create a Signup Genius and order sandwiches, the community will donated salads, desserts and drinks.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

-June 7 flume trip

### **REQUEST**

-Patty Smith: on safety committee for HBMS, asking for \$235 for Rick Bergeron for Safariland course for intruder training that teaches police & teachers how to be safe in schools. Motion made by Maryanne, seconded by Liz, Due to receiving a check from Hannaford, PTSA can afford it. Motion approved.

-HBMS school nurse requests volunteers for hearing & vision screenings during registration day. Need to be trained ahead of time - takes about 30 mins. Registration day is: August 25. Let Sheila M. know if you're available for training via email sheila.mandragouras@sau41.org, or call. Farrah will create a Signup Genius.

### MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Terri, seconded by Maryanne, adjourned at 10:54AM.

Respectfully Submitted, Terri Bair