

HBMS PTSA Minutes

2/20/2003

Attendance: Pat Goyette, Lex Bundschuh, Lisa Fait, Lou-Ann Parodi, Anne Dumas, Ruth Kabel, Shelly Bower, Lisa Schmalz, Charlene Lavey, Marsha Cone-Roddy, Mary Thomas

1. Introductions of the members took place.
2. The previous minutes were accepted.
3. Anne Dumas will take the minutes since Kate Ricci is still gainfully employed.
4. Lisa moved \$200.00 from the program committee budget line to the miscellaneous line to cover the cost of the donation made to the HB Citizens for Better Education. \$150.00 had been donated to the group after a vote via e-mail was taken by Lex. Lex said there were 14 responses to the vote (13 in favor of the donation and one against). The one person against thought we should offer other support such as babysitting services for those who would otherwise not be able to vote.

There was a discussion of the budget for the Program Committee and it was noted that nothing was planned this year. In prior years this group had several guest speakers come to discuss various topics that parents were interested in learning about. It was noted that we might want to have the volunteer coordinator position cover this as well in the future. Also we thought we should check with Pat and see if she had any input.

Lisa asked about filing taxes since she had received several interest income statements for the PTSA. Lisa will follow up with Jean Filer and see what the recommended process is.

5. The Communication Committee asked the PTSA for help in organizing tours of the Middle School prior to the March 5 & 6 district meeting. The tours will be offered March 3rd, 4th and 5th:
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning at 10:00 am,
11:00 am and 12:00 noon.

People interested in taking the tours should call the Middle School. Marygrace Digiaccinto will put the information about the tours in the newspapers.

People who are making calls to remind folks to vote at the district meeting may want to mention the tours are being offered.

Lisa Scmaltz, Ruth Kabel, and Marsha Cone-Roddy offered to do some of the tours of the school.

6. Principal's Report: Pat began the discussion with questions about the school tours. Her office staff will keep the list of volunteers who will be giving the tours as well as the lists of people who call in to attend a scheduled tour.

The status of the trip to Washington D.C. for the 8th grade class was also discussed. Pat has said that she will be able to recover most of the money for the trip if they decide soon that it is not safe to go to D.C. She will be asking the School Board for their opinion at a March 3rd meeting and will make a decision shortly thereafter.
7. Lex had several items from the state such as information on honorary life membership in the PTSA that she mentioned to the group.
8. The 8th grade end of the year dance and party should be discussed at the next meeting. The 7th grade end of the year activities should also be discussed.
9. Lou-Ann said that the teacher appreciation day went well and Aspirations had provided food with which she was very happy. Another teacher appreciation day is planned for the second week of May and there will be an end of year appreciation day as well.
10. Orientation for the 6th grade parents will be Thursday, April 10th and the PTSA membership table should be set up to promote memberships. Anne will prepare forms and cards needed for that night.
11. **The next meeting will be March 27th in the Middle School Conference Room at 8:30 am**

Respectfully submitted,
Anne Dumas 2/21/03