

PTSA MINUTES

HBMS

October 17, 2008

Attendees: Robin Gegg, Cindy VanCoughnett, Maryanne Shanley, Pat Plummer, Kathy Reuter, Krista Whalen, Julie Forgaard, Kara Tulley, Laura Landerman-Garber, Lori Gates, Joyce Pepin, Ruth Kabel Karen Brown, Maura Loftus, Lisa Aulbach, Lynn Goldberg

Business:

Review of minutes: Motion to accept the minutes Pat Plummer, second by Kara Tulley. Motion Passed, none opposed.

Treasures Report: See attached

September Report was amended: Julie Foorgard made the motion to accept changes, Pat Plummer second the motion

Audit – Julie Forgaard presented the audit which passed without any problems-see attached.

Budget

Discussion ensued on purpose of stating a budget number for a fundraiser. The reason why it is necessary to forecast is because this is a floating target, and gives the PTSA an idea of where the monies could come from.

Laura Landerman had a concern with a budget stated for the Spirit Wear, which is a fundraiser. The \$3200 budgeted seems high and Laura was concerned that we would not meet this number. Last year many faculty members purchased Spirit Wear items and this year sales are not that high.

Fundraising Reports

Untied Scripts- Susan Holroyd and Kathi Lewis were not available. Orders will be in Oct 22. Profit is \$238 less shipping = \$231.48 profit 171 orders were placed.

Scripts is new which is hard to project its success. The magazine drive and gift-wrap fundraisers are gone; this is the big fundraiser for the PTSA.

A motion was made for the order information to be available to the High School and the Elementary Schools. Links will be made available to the general public through advertising.

Julie moved to accept the motion Pat Plummer second the motion.

Old Home Day: Ruth Kabel
Still wrapping up the final details.

Spirit Wear-completed - Final numbers are still to come. Laura Landerman-Garbet has guidelines for the next chairperson to follow. Holiday sale will be week of Nov. 16. Distribution will be Dec 17. Ad two items; SKI cap drawstring backpacks. Surprise orders will be made available.

Suggestion was made to sell bumper stickers at the 'Reflections' day.

Committee Reports

Bulletin Board – focus is on the Drama Club “Mouse That Roared’ and year book. \$11.60 spent last month. Lynn Goldberg suggested we split the bulletin board into two parts to allow space for information from the PTSA to be posted. This will be addressed.

Principal’s Report:

Pat Goyette and Tim Kelley

Tim Kelly, Principal of the High School gave a report-see attached.

New England Assoc of Schools and Colleges. Evaluates the credits and issues accreditations standards. HBHS accredited in 2005. Currently Mr. Kelly is addressing the recommendations which were made at that time. Progress reports are written at 2 years and 5 years. Since the visit in 2005, our population has increased 13%. Overcrowding is still an issue.

A Committee is meeting with representative from state to guide us on what type of funding is available from the state to help with a solution.

An outside committee appointed by the town will be making a presentation to selectman as to viability of CO-OP. It is focused only on financial aspect not the educational aspect. Mr. Kelly did submit cost/education to the committee. Date to be confirmed.

Pat Goyette’s Report;

NECAP Testing is over. Done over two weeks instead of one week which seems like it ran more smoothly. Great attendance. Primary goal is on literacy.

Mrs. DiZazzo received the Leadership Development Award and will attend the National English Conference in Texas. This award was given by the New England Council of Teachers.

Student Council. Students were elected. Mr. Capraro and Mrs. Hall do a great job to encourage students to focus on leadership skills and not on popularity.

Washington DC; \$600 is the fee per student. Scholarships are available for families who cannot afford the fee. The PTSA has helped in the past for funding for the scholarships. A video was made showing last years' trip, but not able to sell due to copyright laws. Next year the school will play the music.

A homework issue was addressed across both teams. The Principal cannot support parent groups meeting with an entire team, but must go through the Principal, who in turn will address any issues with the teams.

MISC

Suggested to send out reminders on Scripts a day before orders are due.

Veterans day assembly Nov 10 at 9am

PTA convention is Nov 14 and 15 in Manchester.

Announcements were made by Robin Gegg

Meeting is adjourned Pat Plummer made the motion, Julie Forgaard second the motion.

Next meeting is Nov 21st