

# HMS PTO General Meeting

April 16, 2014 9:30 a.m.

## Minutes

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The meeting was called to order at 9:40 a.m. by Karen Choi

PTO Executive Members present: Hala Alhindi, Deborah Kloubec, Dayna Larson, Dennis Brown, Karen Choi, Laura Gambla

1. Karen welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. Treasurer's Report: Dennis Brown went over the 2014-2015 Proposed Budget
  - a. Income
    - Increase in dues for PTO Membership from \$25 to \$35
    - Magazine Fundraiser projecting \$17,000 net proceeds
    - School Supplies (expense was increased to \$4,000)
    - Grant from District 181 for school supplies for fee waiver students. Approximately 40 kits will be needed for next school year.
    - The Shack, small fundraisers, and vending machines are smaller money makers
  - b. Expenses
    - Administration - bank fees, etc.
    - Classroom Support is the biggest expense (materials for the classroom, guest speakers, and teacher stipends)
    - Extracurricular
    - Hospitality
    - Wish List/Special Requests - varies from year to year
    - Other - ground expenses, Angel Fund, SELAS, etc.
  - c. Dennis showed a pie chart explaining the Sources of Funds and Use of Funds. This chart is a great visual and he said it will be on the website. Hala Alhindi recommended that the Pie Charts be posted somewhere in the school near the entrance. All agreed.
3. Principal's Report: Rocky May, Dean of Students
  - a. Title 1 Report - Tutoring is up and running.
    - b. HMS building updates. All families were receiving Wednesday updates via email while the mold issues were being resolved, but Rocky wasn't sure if parents were still receiving that communication from the district. Updates may only be going to staff of HMS. Rocky will find out if families will be updated.
    - c. Advisory Assembly for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders. June 2 is the SELAS day for packing meals with the organization Feeding Children Worldwide. This will be done at HMS and the number of meals that will be assembled will be determined by the amount of money raised by the students.

d. SELAS Day: Mindfulness went well according to the "exit slips" that are given to the students for comment. Rocky thought it went well too.

e. Encore Classes for 2014-15 - Later in the month 7th graders will be asked to request Encore choices. Course descriptions will be sent out and some teacher changes will be noted. There was a question about some students being able to change Encore classes mid/late year. Rocky said sometimes it works out for students to change depending on numbers, etc.

f. April 18. Originally school wasn't scheduled to be in session. So teachers who had made previous plans or for religious reasons will not be teaching that day. So expect quite a few subs. Subs may be elementary school teachers from District 181. Teachers were given the option to swap out a sub day for a Teacher Institution Day from June 9 or 10.

g. Summer School. Rocky will talk about the details at the May 14 General PTO meeting. Deadline to register is the end of May.

#### 4. Vice President's Report

Above the Line: 3rd Qtr Drawing. \$25 gift card to Corner Bakery was awarded to Tomas Rios, Head Custodian.

#### 5. President's Report. Karen Choi presented the Executive Board Slate for the 2014-15 school year. There will be a vote at the next General PTO Meeting, May 14. Open committee positions include Garden Club, School Supplies, and Fundraising. An eBlast has been sent out requesting volunteers.

Karen also recommended there be an HMS liaison to specifically help/guide the 8th graders with the transition to high school. It is recommended to have this person in place at the beginning of the school year.

#### 6. New Business

Discussion came up about the school supply kits and negotiating a bigger profit percentage for the PTO. Dennis will talk to the school supply committee and gather details and what can be done.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:33am.

## Upcoming Events

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4/30/14 – District 86 Community Speaker Series, Hooked on Technology, will be April 30 at Hinsdale South 7pm and May 1 at Hinsdale Community House 9am

5/7/14 – Executive PTO meeting 9:30am

5/14/14 – General PTO meeting, 9:30am – Vote on slate of nominees for Exec Board, Rocky to talk about summer school opportunities

5/28/14 – Handover Coffee 10:30-11:30am at Immanuel Hall