

MINUTES

Hammond Elementary School PTA General Meeting

Date / time 5/20/2015 Meeting called to order by Kerri Ukstins

In Attendance

Executive Committee Members Present:

Principal Pratesi, Kerri Ukstins, Anne Braun, Randy Baldini, Mike Schmeckpeper

A. Approval of Minutes

- General Membership Meeting, February 25, 2015
 - Kerri Ukstins moved to accept minutes. Seconded by Mike Schmeckpeper.
 - The minutes were approved.

B. Election of Officers for the HES PTA Executive Board

The following people were voted onto the HES PTA 2015-2016 Executive Board

President - Erin Roberts

VP, Membership - Christine Hyun

VP, Communications - Sumaria Bajwa

Treasurer - Randy Baldini

Recording Secretary - Kerri Ukstins

Communications Secretary - Anne Braun

Delegate - Mike Schmeckpeper

C. Executive Reports

1. President, Kerri Ukstins

- a. The teacher appreciation committee did a fantastic job during teacher appreciation week. The teachers appreciated all that was done. The committee was co-chaired by Maureen Harkins and Anna Schmeckpeper. Kerri expressed her gratitude to Maureen and Anna. Both Anna and Maureen are not able to continue next year. Chairs are needed for this committee.
- b. Thank you to Michelle Johnson who stepped up to chair the nominating committee when the former chair could no longer serve.
- c. Fall Festival planning is underway

- d. Thanks to Erin Roberts and Jen Beaverson who chaired the 5K run. This event was a huge success. We exceeded our projected revenue for this event
 - e. We will be having a restaurant night in June.
 - f. Thanks to Denise Simmerly who has done so much in her tenure at HES. She ran the restaurant nights, basket bingo and holiday shop. She will be missed next year as her child moves up to middle school
2. Vice President – Membership, Christine Hyun
 - a. No new members since the last report
 3. Vice President – Communications, Anne Braun
 - a. Tuffy Pride lots of nominations for staff (Custodial, front office staff and teachers)
 4. Treasurer, Randy Baldini
 - a. The treasurer reported that the overall revenue goal for 2014-2015 was met and that expenses are currently at or below what was planned.
 5. Recording Secretary – Christina Sledge
 - a. No report
 6. Communications Secretary – Maggie Kennedy
 - a. No report
 7. Delegate report- Mike Schmeckpeper
 - a. Shared highlights from the May PTAHC meeting
 - i. The budget was approved
 - ii. There was discussion about the governor releasing \$3 million dollars for schools. The this is not released the county will cover the shortfall.
 - iii. The approved Capital Fund was 35% less than requested

D. Administration Report

1. Principal
 - a. HES took first place in the Rube Goldberg Challenge sponsored by Howard County Library
 - b. Thanks to all the parents and staff who sponsored teams for the Battle of the Books. Call of the Books (coached by Alfred Jones) took first place overall in Team Civility, and Enchanted Novels (coached by Stef Baird) took second place overall in Team Spirit!
 - c. A fifth grader has been named Carson Scholar

- d. A volunteer luncheon will be held on June 5th. Invitations will go home shortly. This is an opportunity for the school to show their gratitude to all parents who volunteer
- e. Volunteers are needed to complete clerical activities over the summer such as making classroom games and centers. An email will be send out about this.
- f. Staffing for next year will be as followed based on projected enrollment
 - i. Kindergarten- four classes based
 - ii. First grade- six classes
 - iii. Third, Fourth and Fifth grade- four classes
 - 1. enrollment trends will be monitored over the summer
- g. The following people are retiring this year
 - i. Mr. Peters- Kindergarten paraeducator
 - ii. Mrs. Greiner Media paraeducator (has been at HES for about 25 years)
 - iii. Mrs. Penn- Third grade paraeducator
 - iv. Ms. Sampson- Custodial Staff
 - v. Ms. Whipps- Cafeteria manager
 - vi. Ms. O'Hagan- Principal's secretary
 - 1. Ms. Godbout will take the Principal's secretary position

- 2. Asst. Principal
 - a. no report

E. Committee Reports

- 1. Lynn Brady will be responsible on the newsletter next year
- 2. Ying Wang will continue to work on the website
- 3. Basket Bingo- chair person needed
- 4. Holiday shop will be chaired by Maureen Harkins and Anna Schmeckpeper

F. Old Business

No old business

G. New Business

No new business

H. Good of the Order

Thank you cards from staff will be delivered to the teacher appreciation committee chairs.

I. Meeting Adjourned

Motion to adjourn by Randi Baldini at 7:30. Seconded by Mike Schmeckpeper