

# MINUTES

## Hammond Elementary School PTA General Meeting

*Date | time 11/12/2014 6:30 PM | Meeting called to order by Kerri Ukstins*

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### In Attendance

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Executive Committee Members Present:

Principal Pratesi, Vice Principal Ciarapica, Kerri Ukstins, Christine Hyun, Anne Braun, Randy Baldini, Mike Schmeckpeper, Christina Sledge

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### A. PBIS (Positive Behavioral Intervention and Support) Presentation

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- Vice Principal Ms. Cirapica conducted PBIS Presentation
  - What is PBIS?
  - Applies evidence – based programs, practices and strategies for all students to increase academic performance, improve safety, decrease problem behavior, and establish a positive environment.
  - PBIS applies practices and strategies for all students to increase academic performance, Improve positive behavior
  - Core Principles of PBIS
    - We can effectively teacher appropriate behavior to all children
    - Intervene early
    - Use a multi-tier model of delivery
    - Monitor student progress
    - Use research-based, scientifically validated interventions to the extent available.
    - Use data to make decisions
    - Use assessment for three different purposes
  - Behavioral Expectations
  - Labeling Appropriate Behaviors
  - Teach Appropriate Behavioral Actions
    - Give me 5!
    - Paws of Pride Matrixes and Posters
  - Observe and Praise Appropriate Behavioral Actions
    - Tuffies
      - Provides students with positive feedback
      - Students respond to positive reinforcement
      - Tuffy Trade-In –Quality time with adults and peers, earning special privileges, Earning leadership roles, Social praise
      - Tuffy Rainbow are distributed as a reward

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### B. Approval of Minutes

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- General Membership Meeting, 9/23/14
  - The minutes were approved.

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## C. Report of Elected Officers

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1. President, Kerri Ukstins
    - a. 200 completed Flu Mist
    - b. PTA Directory is almost complete; will be available electronically.
      - i. In the future there will be an e-file for PTA membership, payments and directory sponsored by the state and county.
      - ii. Some PTAs will utilize PayPal
    - c. Staff appreciation dinner on the first nights of parent teacher conferences.
      - i. E-Blasts sent out with Survey monkey for volunteer sign ups.
      - ii. Cut and pasting the link
      - iii. Donations are requested for dessert, paper products, water and paper products.
    - d. Book Fair all next week 11/17 – 11/24
      - i. Volunteers are requested
    - e. 31 Fundraiser Spirit Wear – Totes, sporty items. Will be here before the holidays.
  2. Vice President – Membership, Christine Hyun
    - a. 305 members ; Mrs. Rappaport's class was in the lead for winning recess, but Mrs. Lee's class came in first.
  3. Vice President – Communications, Anne Braun
    - a. Tuffy Pride lots of nominations for staff (Custodial, front office staff and teachers)
    - b. September nominations
    - c. November 13, 2014 next newsletter
  4. Treasurer, Randy Baldini
    - a. Corporate Sponsors Budgeted Reached our goal for the year \$200.
  5. Recording Secretary – Christina Sledge
    - a. Minutes posted online.
  6. Communications Secretary – Maggie Kennedy
    - a. No new items to report.
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## F. Administration Report

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1. Principal
  - a. Communications – School Improvement Presentation completed.
  - b. PTA Committee to welcome new family; partnership between the PTA and the School.
  - c. 1-2-3 Magic Presentation; 30 -40 people in attendance - Very positive turnout.
  - d. Math Night 70 people in attendance.
  - e. Coffee and conversation completed in the morning.
  - f. Coffee and conversation in the evening is coming.
  - g. PARC assessment presentation in February.
  - h. Volunteer training online. Working to have all volunteers trained by January 1, 2015.
    - i. Volunteer training is required annually.

- i. Changes in wellness policy impacted the whole county as far as what can be served during school hours.
    - i. When serving food during the school day, there is a very structured list of food that can be served. Institute of Medicine approved list of foods that can be served.
  - j. Fund Raiser – Gold Party – appraises the item; participants receive a check and the school will receive a check. Money will used for professional development.
    - i. During the parent teacher conferences a table will be set up.
2. Asst. Principal
- a. MAP assessments 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades have taken the MAP assessment.
    - i. Scoring will potentially be available by the conferences.
  - b. Mailing for TOCA will be sent home.
    - i. Testing window 12/5 – 12/12/14.
    - ii. Assessments will be available in the student’s home room.
    - iii. Results will be shared with parents.
  - c. PARC assessments dates have not been established yet.
    - i. 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade online assessments in March.
    - ii. MSA Science – 5<sup>th</sup> grade paper in April.
    - iii. EOY PARC assessments in May

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## E. Delegate Report – Mike Schmeckpeper

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- Rolled out in Model Schools - New initiative TeleHealth Preventative Care to provide prescriptions for common ailments.
- Mental Health Task Force will address policy to react to certain student situations.
- STEM (Science Technology Engineering Mathematics) 11/18 Centennial High School Fair.
- Suicide Prevention Forum 11/20/14.
- Family Support Center (MATT Curriculum)
  - Howard Public School System Website- Curriculum Section
- New Elementary School Model – 5 Schools
  - Full Day Pre-K, 20-30 minutes World Language (Spanish)
  - Full departmental model
- Attempting to implement TeleHealth Preventative Care in some elementary schools
- Calendar - Discussion on the starting the school year after Labor Day
  - Poll was taken during the general meeting; results were mixed for and against.
- Information regarding capital budget; county will enforce bid prevailing state has reduced
- Visitor management system – Badging Required
- New Website - Howard County School has a new website; each school will have their own website
- Working Council will allow participants to attend via phone
- PTACHC 10/12 - Forum for Board of Education Candidates
- School System 5K on 10/12 at Sheraton Hotel in Columbia
- Mike can present questions from HES PTA at the next PTACHC meeting

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## G. Committee Reports

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- 31 Sprit Wear is going on right now. Order form will be available on the website.
- Holiday Shop will be coming up in December.
- Multi-Cultural Night planning for Thursday April 30, 2015.
- Display My Art, Mrs. White cannot help lead the fundraiser this year.
- Basket Bingo – Roberta Burns
  - Date will be determined. Tentatively Saturday 2/7/2015.
  - Lower price point; Family Rate
- Holiday Shop – Denise Simmerly
- 5K and 1 Mile Family Fun Run - Erin Roberts
  - Planning tentatively for April 18, 2015. Kick Off Meeting 11/14/15.

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## Old Business

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No old business

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## New Business

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No new business

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## Next Meeting

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2/18/2015 6:30 PM, General Meeting, HES Media Center

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM