

HINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL PTO MINUTES MARCH 2, 2017

ATTENDANCE: Barbie Dwyer (President), Kristin Parnell (Vice President), Jane McGrath (Treasurer), Michelle Ayer (Secretary), Paula Girouard McCann (Principal), Michelle Wagner (Class Parent 2020), Karen Neat (Red Carpet), Kathrin Angel

Principal's Report (Paula Girouard McCann)

- Program of Studies night was held and there are new requirements and many new course offerings. Parents and students are encouraged to review the materials on the HHS website to find details about course selection for 2017-2018.
- HHS has entered test and tournament season and the school is very active with testing, sports tournaments and the annual drama festival.
- Request for funding of a student initiative to refurbish used PC's and donate to families in need.

Treasurer's Report (Jane McGrath)

- Financials are on budget
- Dr. Girouard McCann will follow up with teacher's who have not submitted invoices for mini-grant payments

Secretary's Report (Michelle Ayer)

- February PTO meeting minutes updated and approved.

Committee Reports

Climate Committee

- April 13 Senior Service day plans being firmed up. Will need 20 parent volunteers to chaperone students offsite at various projects. Discussed PTO funds for t-shirts and/or lunch. Potential PTO hospitality support for continental breakfast.

Senior Night (Lisa Patterson)

- Plans for the all night post graduation party continue to run smoothly. Next parent planning meeting/workshop March 9 6:30PM HHS cafeteria. Parents from ALL classes are invited and encouraged to provide support for this HHS tradition

Hospitality (Marcy Lamlein)

- Staff soup and salad lunch Wednesday 3/8.
- Will provide water and cupcakes for National Honor Society Night in April

Green Committee (Andrea Dewire)

- Exploring introducing hand dryers to the HS bathrooms to reduce paper waste. Students are investigating dryer models. Funding for the dryers may come from Green Team

Class of 2018 (Michelle Ayer)

- Casino night event to be hosted for all HHS students Friday, March 10, 7-10PM. Tickets on sale next week

Antique Show (Lisa Patterson)

- Lisa has passed the “baton” to Michelle Wagner and Michelle will manage the freshman and sophomore participation, publicity and Goosefare Promotions. Michelle Ayer will organize the café and other food items with the junior class. The senior class will run the bake sale and be porters for the dealers.

Red Carpet (Karen Neat)

- All permits in place and traffic plan being finalized
- Additional carpet to add an “off ramp” at the gazebo will be purchased with funds in the current budget

PTO Business

- Working on budget for next year; current committee chairs have been asked to review and provide feedback on budget needs.
- Working to fill board and committee chair openings for next year:
 - Sport & Ski Sale:** Trish Cairns will co-chair Sport & Ski sale and is looking for a co-chair with experience using Excel (troubleshooting and accounting).
 - Directory:** Liz Stasio will no longer have a student at HHS and will pass the directory on to Linda Kaczor. Linda trained with Liz last year and would like a co-chair
 - School Picture/Life Touch:** PTO needs a chair for this event
 - Webmaster:** Libby Lewiecki will continue on as webmaster but if anyone has an interest in taking over this role, Libby will step down
 - Weekly Bulletin:** discussion about expanding the number of people on this committee or reducing the amount of work required for this weekly bulletin.
 - Hospitality:** Arlene Moynihan is stepping down and the committee will need a chair/co-chair.

Meeting Adjourned 10:40

Next PTO meeting Thursday, April 6, 9:30am Room 103