

Huntington PTO Meeting

February 13th, 2025

Attendees

Board Members- President: Dorothy Dermott, Treasurer: Jim Johnson, Vice President: Louis Petrocci
Administrators- Dan Killenbec
Teachers- Joel Curinga, Jessica Huertas (ASP)
Family- Bishnu Rai

Approval previous minutes

November meeting minutes approved

Board Member Report

Financial summary presented by Dorothy Dermott. All attendees provided with copies of the financial summary report for the months of November, December, and January.

Old Business

New Business

Louis is stepping down as Treasurer to Vice President and we will be transitioning Jim Johnson to that role over the coming months. Jamie Petrocci is also now on board as Co-Vice President. Gertrude Hawk sale has begun and will continue until Friday, February 28th. All order forms will be due at that time, submitted to the PTO mailbox in the main office. Any questions, people can reach out to the PTO board directly at huntingtonschoolpto@gmail.com

Admin Report

New library renovations starting soon- a new skylight, carpets, computer lab; etc. The book fair will be starting in early March. Maya Baxter is starting over Winter Break as the new Admin Intern to backfill the role left by Mrs. Carpenter moving to the Vice Principal role after Mrs. Dempsey moved to Corcoran.

Enrollment is at 949 students.

Discipline numbers have improved over last year and attendance is up. There have been 3 major incidents this year (compared to 2 last year).

School now has four sentries. There is a new security entrance at the loading dock door.

School choice is ongoing now

Family Engagement

No representative at the meeting

Future Events/Fundraisers

Mr. Curinga suggested a garage sale held outdoors at the school. We could time this to coincide with the neighborhood garage sales which are held Earth Day weekend in April. PTO would charge for spaces, advertise the sale throughout the neighborhood. Mr. Curinga offered to have NJHS students help out and sell snacks/popcorn. We would need to get started with a permit from the school district to hold the event, Dan is on board.

Fundraisers

Gertrude Hawk and Garage sale discussions as noted above

Open Discussion:

Mrs. Huertas talked about the After School Program; the Robotics teams have placed 1st and 3rd in both the Senior and Junior level competitions. The next competitions are in early March. Next session the robotics team will be working on drones. On the Monday after break, students will be able to switch their specialty in the ASP classes.

Ideas for events that have been historically held by the PTO were brought up such as Movie Nights, PTO Family dance for K-5th grade. We would like to consider a Halloween/Harvest dance.

Meeting Adjourned

Meeting adjourned 7:06