

## **Huntington School Parent-Teacher Organization**

Meeting Summary

April 7, 2022, 6:30 p.m.

Huntington School Library

### **Attendees**

Board members: Ann Yarka, President; Jennifer Schultz, Vice President; Ramie Miller, Treasurer

Administrators: Alison Dupree, Principal; Maryellen Roberson, Administrative Intern

Office of Family Engagement: Holly Keating

After school program: Jessica Huertas

2 parents

### **1) Introductions and discussion of open PTO positions**

Vice president and Secretary- 2 parents interested, received nomination forms and how to submit to Holly Keating, have to be present at May meeting to vote on nominees.

### **2) Approval of March meeting minute**

all voted in favor

### **3) Board updates:**

Ramie presented financial summary report. Discussed how Gertrude Hawk sales were deposited into class accounts. Gertrude Hawk was an amazingly successful fundraiser this year, lots of online orders as well as catalog sales

Also discussed with the financial report was each class balance, and how each class should use those funds this year, otherwise will roll into general PTO account per bylaws (above \$100). Ms. Dupree is going to email teachers a reminder

### **4) Old business**

None

### **5) New business**

a) 7<sup>th</sup> grade field trip fund request for up to \$200 to use for PBIS trip to Palace theater was discussed as to why needed.

Voted on and was approved

b) Teacher appreciation week May 2-6

Dunkin Donuts on James St is donating donuts and coffee, this will be for Monday, May 2.

145 staff total in the building includes teachers, teacher assistants, custodians and other support staff.

PTO board fund request for up to \$1,300 for lunch was discussed. Proposal is to order a variety of sandwiches from Pronto Fresh. Ms. Dupree wants this to be for Friday, May 6. PTO requested to know what time lunch was, Ms. Dupree advised there is a 3 ½ hour block but not specific start and end date times provided. A parent who is a member of the local Forward Point Church offered to contribute money towards the sandwiches, but has to check with their leadership to confirm.

The up to \$1300 request for the teacher appreciation lunch was approved by majority (no abstentions).

## **6) Discussion**

End of year activities

- 8<sup>th</sup> grade semi formal is scheduled for June 10<sup>th</sup>, still in planning stages but has a DJ. Ms. Dupree mentioned maybe completing fund request for step and repeat (like a red carpet) for the semi formal from the PTO. Ms. Dupree also needs to know what decorations the PTO already has.
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade recognition: wanted to do an evening event but not feasible this year so will be breakfast during the day, looking at date for next year to do an evening 8<sup>th</sup> grade recognition night.
- PTO board elections discussed again
  - Ms. Dupree sent out to print shop a request for 600 copies to be mailed to parents.
  - Talking points message will be going out as well
  - Contact person is Ms. Keating for nominees
  - VOTING WILL HAPPEN AT May 12<sup>th</sup> meeting and must be present at the meeting to vote
- On April 20<sup>th</sup> the after school program is holding a paint knight at Huntington time is 6 to 7:30, instructor coming to teach. For all families, flyers to be sent home, have enough supplies for 200 people to participate

## **7) Office of Family engagement- Holly Keating**

April 21<sup>st</sup> from 5:30 to 7 there will be a Math night at the school, food will be served

Virtual family reading (Zoom) May 19<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 7 pm

Kindergarten is doing the virtual family reading, on Zoom as well but they are doing 4 nights in a row (Monday to Thursday) ½ hour long. The book they will be reading will be sent home as well.

## **8) Administration report Ms. Dupree**

Finishing up ELA testing, currently have 93% of students tested, need to have 95% completion.

Misc discussion

- Suggested by parent to push at staff meeting May 2nd to use money in their class grade fund account by end of year
- Discussed class account does not need PTO approval (does not have to be voted on) only an amount the class is requested which would come from the general fund
- Centro bus pass \$1.00 suggested by parent
- Deadline to request expanding horizon bussing grant is May 2nd

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.