



HMS PTA Board Meeting Minutes

October 24, 2017 @ 9:00 am Media Center

Meeting called to order: 9:04 am

Attendees: Pam Ainsworth, Chris Thiel, Jenny Fettes, Emily Owens, Shannon Pickerel, Glori Viviers, Teresa Traylor, Erin Winn, Kelly Spiller, Traci Butler, Donna Shouldice, Spencer Martin, Shelley Suco, Nancilee Wolfe, Shannon Arant, Stacy Sullender, Sue Welch, Sarah Whitfield, Mr. LeMoyné, Angie Dover, Meredith Pierard, Amy Padgett, Sunni Craig, Lori Woods

Call to Order and Welcome - Pam Ainsworth and Chris Thiel

Secretary's Report – Emily Owens

Copies were provided of 9/26/17 meeting minutes. The attendees were given time to review. Shannon Arant made a motion to approve the minutes, Teresa Traylor seconded that motion. All attendees in favor minutes approved as is.

Read 3 Thank you Cards.

Principal's Report – Michael LeMoyné

- Mrs. Bobo's class won the box tops and coins. Since the coins contest we already surpassed our goal, double. \$900.
- Hopewell Strong campaign for September almost raised \$14000, selling merchandise for which we then reimbursed, and then divided the money 8 ways; each group got ~\$1200 each.
- Tailgate party – good time was had by all. Fall events are hard w/ other events going on, football and school carnivals.
- Dances coming up soon
- All schools in Fulton County are working through the rewrite of their strategic plan, HMS included. Working through this w/ the council and community collaboration and fulfilling the needs of our community as well as academically.

Teacher Liaison – Sarah Whitfield

- Teacher Liaison role is new, reach out if you have any questions or want teacher insight.
- Extend thank you for the teacher treats
- All the PTA grants that went through, much appreciated
- Getting some Teacher recruits for the 11/4 and 11/5 clean up event
- 8th grade dance, 1/27. Back up date 2/3
- CPR and AED certification, more teachers are getting training on this ~10 more teachers in the next week. 34 trained already, 10 soon...20 more in line.

Presidents' Report- Pam Ainsworth and Chris Thiel

- Big Thanks to everyone for CURE update, Fall Tailgate, Treats/bakes
- Mini-grants – funds come from parent/community donations. Put aside \$7500, teachers completed an application to submit. We paid out all \$7500 of our funds. With additional support from the school we awarded \$12,500 in mini grants. Ex. Atlanta history museum artifact trunk to bring back and use to teach, books, science. If anyone interested in doing the mini-grant process, we need to fill that position next year.
- Calendar updates:
 - Career Day – 11/16. Need more volunteers

- School Clean-up day – 11/4 and 11/5. Need volunteers, indoor and outdoor items during weekend hours.
- Parent Coffee – 11/10. Counselors were planning on coming in; they are not available in Nov. Counselor led session will be moved to January. New topic to talk about in Nov? Otherwise we will not have one in Nov.
- School of Information – our council puts it on 3 times a year, GA PTA being on suspension/probation and they are working hard to get us back on track. Left feeling that leadership is committed.
- Angie Dover – PTA contact. Added people to the state board. New education chair, Angie as the Arts person, filled many spots. If anyone has any interest in any PTA level committees, let Angie know. Have to get through the Audit and send out the budget to get off of probation. We do get to participate in Reflections. Old board almost entirely replaced.
- Plan of Work – the form needs to be completed and turned in for ANY event/activity prior to the event so that we can plan/budget appropriately. Have them all completed before Thanksgiving break. VPs to help support them completing.
- Angela and Ann at the front desk need our support/coverage for the whole day (or even 2 hour shift). 11/6, 11/17 and 12/11. Dates are up for Volunteer on our website.

Treasurer's Report – Jenny Fettes

- Our balance at the last meeting was \$46,080.14.
- Since then we received \$1,318.75 in income. This includes \$40 membership, \$80 enrichment, \$625 Business Partners, \$5 Directory Sales, \$403 Spirit wear Sales and \$165.75 from Kroger 3rd quarter rewards.
- Our expenses in this same time period included \$30 for our annual S.O.S incorporation. \$48.75 in dues to GA + National PTA, \$100 outstanding petty cash for Fall Event (to be deposited today), \$100.36 for Box Top expenses, \$1,064.57 for Spirit wear purchases, \$683 for Fall Event (Food Truck), \$32.70 for reflections and \$129.90 for Community Outreach. We also were refunded an \$11.20 bank fee from the previous month and received \$195 for the purchases of the PTA shirts. I will reclass that towards Spirit wear purchases next month.
- Our ending balance as of today is \$45,415.81

Standing Committees- Shannon Arant

- Hospitality – next event 12/13 catered lunch for the entire staff
- Grounds beautification – our list includes: trash pick-up, putting in new plants, mulch the trees, basketball court overall needs to be cleaned as well as inside the school. Working on year after year (5 year plan) maintenance of planted items. Identify the type of lawn tools/power tools that are needed to bring. Reaching out to Boy Scouts and Jr Beta.
- Met with Angie Hanlon, faculty advisor for Student Council (SC), last week about the Thanksgiving canned food drive. It will run Oct. 23-Nov. 9. The SC is encouraging students to bring in a canned good each day of Red Ribbon Week this week. The 3 homerooms (one at each grade level) that collect the most food will be awarded a popcorn party, paid for by the SC. (The SC decided on the popcorn party as the prize.)
- Community Outreach is supporting Red Ribbon Week by judging the door decorating contest. Judges are Shannon Arant, Alicia Hampton, and Denise Noble. Judging will take place Oct. 31, 9 a.m. The SC voted that the 3 winning homerooms (one at each grade level) will have a doughnut party, paid for by the SC.
- Created a form for Social Worker Rikki McCoy to have on hand for miscellaneous items requested by HMS families in need.
- Source for reduced price on plants? Suggestion to work w/ Lowe's. Mulch can be done at cost.
- 8th grade courtyard is new.

Ways and Means- Nicole Younger

- Shannon P – finishing the magnet stuff and cards out. PTA cards when we distribute the directory. Can we attach a Publix card too? Yes we can and will.
- Business Partners – Teresa and Glori supplement and provide a
 - Achieved everything we wanted/planned. Waiting on one last logo to order the Windscreens and the car pool signage.

- Business Partners – put together a letter to give/send out to our business partners and include it in our Holiday card. List our Mini-grants, charitable contributions, etc. to increase awareness and establish a connection w/ our partners. Erin suggested to have handwritten letters from volunteers. Ask the volunteers on the “RED LIST” to help support. We have to be aware of our 501 status and not attribute donations to specific items, not having a business sponsoring a mini grant specifically.
- Erin – Spirit wear. 11/2 and 11/3, before school will have fall spirit wear out and available for purchase.

Grade Level Support- Spencer Martin

- Shelly S 6th grade dance, Rocking Rodeo theme. Food is all covered. Usually ~ 350 students attend. Set up is at 1:15. Volunteer sign up on
- Box tops – Traci and Donna met our goal. Mrs. Bobo’s class had 621 box tops! Over 8000 box tops and another 1096. Athleta gift cards to the teachers. Traci will text picture of Mrs. Bobo’s class to Pam for posting on Facebook. \$762 coming to us from Box Tops. Suggestion that we utilize Jr Beta’s can sort the expired box tops and/or cut them out.
- Mini-grants – Maria is compiling a spreadsheet on where they all go

Communications- Noelle Pedraza

- Shannon helping w/ volunteer coordinator
- Send any information to her team by Friday so that it can be in the newsletter by Monday.
- Compiling directory information to send to printer by Friday. Targeting sending home by Thanksgiving break.
- Text any pictures w/ a blurb and send to Pam 404 936 6411/Rachel and they will get the items out on Social media

Programs and Events – TBD Still do NOT have a VP...Meredith may be interested

- Programs and Events VP includes: Bookfair, Red Ribbon week, Reflections, Family Event and International Night (2/22).

Legislative Update – Nancilee Wolfe

- Salaries across Fulton county and know we need to increase to keep up w/ Cherokee
- Issues w/ Move on when ready program/dual enrollment – falling on the Guidance Counselors to take over. Considering hiring another person to handle just this program.
- Recess time of only 15 minutes in the Elementary school. Has made it through senate, stalled in the house. Katie Reeves is in favor of this, working on the specific wording. Likely to not get resolved until next year.
- Kers working on computer program w/ students’ birthday as login, concerned that this is a security breach...discussion it.
- STEM high school opening soon. The log cabin has been moved. Bricks and gym floorboards are being saved (some auctioned off). The current auditorium is the most used building in Fulton County. Freestanding Auditorium in progress. The International School will be moving to the Teaching Museum NORTH.
- GA Board of education has revised our Science standards K – 8.
- BOE – 3rd party renting our schools, e.g. City of Milton uses our school for events because they don’t have buildings. Board is looking at stricter guidelines on these leases.
- Millage rate expected to be paid in December

Spencer Martin:

- Dances coming up. 6th grade good to go. 7th grade need to buy pizza’s from Little Cesar’s but they give money back after. Not sure about Tiff’s Treats cookies. DJ school pays for the DJ for all grade level dances.
- 8th grade dance is 1/27. Secret theme being announced soon. Back up date on 2/3.

- Rising Stars are having thanksgiving feast on 11/17. Rooster's is donating the entire meal including providing vegetarian and gluten free meals.
- Exceptional Children's week in spring.

Walk-Ons

- Angie – finished up reflections last week. Numbers were down this year, but awards have been distributed/handed out. Thank you Business Partners for the gifts.
 - We have 4 entries going forward to council. If they win at council they go to state, then to national. Council celebration is 11/14 and 11/15

Mtg adjourned at 10:07 am

Next Meeting: Tuesday November 28, 2017 in HMS Cafeteria 9am

Submitted by: Emily Owens

Upcoming Events:

Date	Event
10/23/2017	Red Ribbon Week
10/24/2017	Parent Coffee 9AM in Media Center followed by HMS PTA Meeting
10/27/2017	6th Grade Dance
10/31/2017	Canned Food Drive 10/31 - 11/11
11/4/2017	School Cleanup
11/5/2017	School Cleanup
11/10/2017	Parent Coffee 9-10:30AM
11/10/2017	7th Grade Dance
11/14/2017	Katie Reeves Meeting 9:30am New Prospect ES
11/16/2017	8th Grade Career Day 1:30 - 4:00pm
11/17/2017	Rising Star Thanksgiving Feast
11/20/2017	No School - Thanksgiving Holiday 11/20 - 11/24
11/28/2017	HMS PTA Meeting 9am school cafeteria
12/5/2017	HMS PTA Meeting/Winter social
12/6/2017	Community Outreach
12/7/2017	Community Outreach
12/8/2017	Community Outreach
12/12/2017	Katie Reeves Meeting 9:30am Northwestern MS
12/13/2017	Teacher Holiday Luncheon
12/21/2017	Last Day of First Semester
12/22/2017	No School - Winter Break 12/22 - 1/3

1/4/2018	No School - Teacher Work Day
1/5/2018	No School - Teacher Work Day
1/8/2018	First Day of Second Semester
1/15/2018	No School - Martin Luther King Day
1/16/2018	RFF-HMS Teacher Workday
1/16/2018	Katie Reeves Meeting 9:30am Creek View ES
1/23/2018	1/23 HMS PTA Meeting 9am school cafeteria