Minutes HMS PTO Meeting

December 2, 2021 6:30pm – Grove Park Clubhouse

- I. Socializing & Dinner
- II. Call Meeting to Order
 - Welcome by President Erin Avery 7:30 p.m.
- III. Administrator's Report Mr. Brian Fisher (Assistant Principal)
 - Admin wants to be here for all PTO meetings. Thanks for including us.
 - Excited about wrapping up first semester and 2021
 - Some hiccups, but overall school year is going well. Appreciate your support of our teachers
 - Building addition coming along well. Awesome architectural design that will be a wonderful facility for the entire community
 - New teachers to start in January (eg, 7/8 grade). Process for new permanent teachers moving from another local school in Shelby County can take some time (eg, 30 day period in order to transfer teaching license). Please have some patience.
 - Looking for good subs!
 - Band concert on November was the most well-attended by teachers, admin, and parents.
- IV. Approval of the Minutes: 11-12-21 Meeting
 - Motion = Christine Woods, Second = Angie Shipman. Passed = all approved.
- V. President's Report Erin Avery
 - Thanks to:
 - Admin for good collaboration. Heart-warming and fun.
 - Toni Nygren for organizing the holiday party
 - Executive Board and Board in general we make a great team.
 - Was apprehensive in the beginning to take on the role of president, but could not ask for a better group of people to work with. Wonderful!
 - Gifts to Executive Board
- VI. Reports
 - Vice President's Report Toni Nygren
 - Thanks so much to Admin who wants to work with us, and to PTO Board. We've taken the best of the best from 3 elementary schools to create this Board. The success will continue.
 - Parliamentarian Report -- Mandy Vezina
 - No report.
 - Treasurer's Report -- Amy Shackelford
 - Will share financial report with Sarah to send out with minutes.
 - Please turn in reimbursements in a timely manner, use the tax reimbursement form and please pay attention to your budgets.
 - Secretary's Report
 - Send any requests for thank you notes or sympathy cards to Sarah, and she'll take care of it.
 - Membership -- Hillery Efkeman, Christine Woods

- No report.
- Ways and Means -- Leanne Howell, Katie Crews
 - Two Spirit Nights scheduled
 - Dec. 2 & 3, 4-6pm Kendra Scott (20% will go back to PTO)
 - Both days online
 - In-store as well Dec. 3, 4-6pm
 - Mojo Nutrition Spirit Night was on Nov. 19. Earned \$100 for PTO
 - Upcoming Spirit nights for next semester: Tzazikis, Sky Box, Mellow Mushroom. Stay tuned.
- Reveal and Recognition -- Elizabeth Gates, Angie Shipman
 - Thank you to those who helped with the induction ceremonies: Beta Club and Junior National Honor Society. Waters & cookies were provided. Juliann DeMatteo and Hillery Efkeman graciously volunteered at these events.
- Haunted Houston -- Debbie Brown, Holly Joyner, Melanie Gattas, Denise Stumph
 - Thank you to every single person in the room all who helped. It was amazing how everyone stepped up to make this event a success.
 - Introductions and thanks to Larissa Anderson and Juliann DeMatteo who both did so much for Haunted Houston
 - Juliann: Lunchtime games, volunteered the entire day of the event, and brought so much experience (past PTO president in her former city)
 - Larissa: Lunchtime games, karaoke, acquiring most of the auction items
- Health and Safety -- Nancy Vaughan
 - No report
- TLC Cakes -- Ginger Neas
 - Up & running! Cake certificates are \$22. Once printed they will be placed in teacher mailboxes or handed out.
 - Sign up Genius for parents to volunteer to sponsor a cake. This is on the PTO website, social media and in the PTO newsletter.
 - Thanks to those who have already donated. Only 7 cakes left to sponsor.
- Teacher Treats -- Chrissy Tashie, Melissa Salazar
 - No report
- Clubs and Sports -- Wendy Percoski
 - No report
- Hospitality -- Karrie LaCroix, Angie Childers
 - No report
 - Beautification -- Janna Hacker, Stephanie Edwards
 - Pots in front of the school look wonderful.
 - 4 teacher restrooms have been refreshed and are appreciated.
- Contests -- Karen Ivey
 - No report
- Honor Roll -- Carie Alley, Michelle Midha
 - Planning a treat for second quarter honor roll
- Webmaster -- Amy Cook
 - No report
 - Publicity -- Suzanne Ray
 - No report
- Newsletter -- Nabiha Huda

- Have all newsletter information to Nabiha by Tuesday, in order to be included in the Thursday newsletter
- V. Old Business
 - o None
- VII. New Business
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VII. Adjournment – 7:45 p.m.

Important Dates

- Friday, December 17: 1/2 Day of School
- December 20-January 3: Winter Break
- Tuesday, January 4: Students Return to School
- Friday, January 14, <u>9am</u>: HMS PTO Meeting (HMS Cafeteria)
- Birthdays
 - Dec. 26 Holly Joyner
 - Dec. 31 Angie Childers

Attendance:

Administration: Assistant Principal Brian Fisher

Board Members: Erin Avery Debbie Brown Katie Crews Hillery Efkeman **Elizabeth Gates** Sarah Goralewski Janna Hacker Nabiha Huda Karen Ivey Michelle Midha **Ginger Neas** Toni Nygren Amy Shackleford Angie Shipman Christine Woods

Parents: Juliann DiMatteo Larissa Anderson