**HMS PTO Meeting Minutes**

**October 15, 2019**

Board members in attendance: Stacy Collins, Leigh McCormack Jenn McNicolas, Bernadette Lawson, Peggy Hermann

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm and the September minutes were approved.

**Treasurer’s report:** Jenn McNicolas

* Collected $7,900 in dues so far. Once amounts from square are included, total should be $8,500.
* Almost all of the tshirts have been sold (3 left) and sold about 75 magnets
* Spent $500 for 6th grade dance photo booth. Using a different vendor this year.
* Request for $500 for book fair teacher wish list. Same amount as last year.

**President’s report:** Stacy Collins

* Thanked all back to school night volunteers
* New IDC rep Allison Hettenbach
* New school board reps – Rachel McGuire, Randi Mongiello
* Recognizing John “Jack” Tonetti’s memory with donation to his Boy Scout troop and donating a book to HMS library in his memory.

**Teacher’s report:** TerriLynn Seavey

* Socktober – collecting sock donations to Cradles to Crayons.
* Water filling stations – 2 have been installed. Will be getting a total of 6.
* Academic work and artwork decorating halls
* Preparing for student led conferences.
* Clubs are underway. Lots of participation.
* Fall sports season ends in early November
* Q1 ends in 2.5 weeks.
* Pink out on Friday 10/18 for breast cancer awareness.

**Upcoming Events**

* 6th grade dance – Friday, 10/25, 5:30 – 7pm
* Book fair – November 11-15. Sign up genius was sent out looking for volunteers.

**Old Business**

* BTS night went well.
* Spiritwear sale – received 209 orders, 560 items sold. Largest sale in recent memory. Items will be ready in 3-4 weeks after the sale. Winter sale will be November 10-20th so that items will be ready for the holidays.

**New Business**

* Teacher/Staff Appreciation Luncheon – sent out survey to staff to see if they would prefer spring luncheon or dinner during conferences. Currently 67 responses.
* IDC – discussion about school lunch account balances. Looking to resolve balances for “unnecessary” purchases (not for kids who forgot their lunch).
* School Board – approved HHS construction plan. Lynnewood construction progressing. Current district enrollment – 3000 at elementary, 1500 HMS, 1800 HHS. Working on strategic plan with consultant.
* Box Tops and Giant A+ - no update. Continue to send them in and use app.
* Open PTO positions –
  + Spirit wear to shadow Megan and take over next year
  + 8th grade dance chairs –have 2 members, looking for a few more
* We will be working on a welcome packet/event for new families and possibly having an event for new HMS families in January.

**Principal’s report: Dan Horan**

* Tonetti family – donations can be made to Troop 181 Gladwyne “Jack Tonetti Memorial Fund, c/o Bruce Terry, 817 Caldwell Rd, Wayne PA 19087 or Merion Square Scout House, PO Box 503, Gladwyne, PA 19035. Or to Minding Your Mind.
* School has been supporting staff, students, families after Jack’s passing. Extra support in school, daily meeting on plan for staff. Will be ongoing.
* Supporting new families – looking for PTO help with ways to support families that are new to the district.
* Wellness day on 10/31. Will schedule Parent Preview Night. Focus of wellness day will be: Safe 2 Say Something, digital safety & awareness, school safety, and active threat drill
* Conferences – students are preparing for student led conferences that will be held in November.
* Upcoming Dates

Next meeting will be November meeting – 11/12. There will be no meeting in December. Will be have school board members at our January meeting (1/14) and will work on planning a new family event for that date as well.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45.