

HMS PTO Meeting - Wednesday 10/21/2020 Zoom Call 7pm

Present at Meeting call: Sue Clement, Karen O'Brien, Jen Grantham, Beth Sloat, Melissa Bettencourt, Dianne Chandonnet, Keith Bowen, Marytrini L., Rodney, Katie Verrocchio, Theodora Tufts, Joy Whitaker, Laura Pargas, Yojna Mathur, Megan Grand

Old Business:

~Vote done to accept notes from last meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

~Balance at end of last meeting was \$4596.21. Our balance now is \$6023.21.

~Sue will be working on opening new account with another member of the PTO.

~Only pending items for funds is T-shirts for the 8th graders, which are ordered in March.

Activity Update:

~Spiritwear

Seemed to work out great for the home delivery. We doubled our orders from last year. This year we also opened up the orders to teachers to order.

~Movie Night Idea

Presented at last meeting. This will be reconsidered in the spring.

~Teacher Wish List

Sue

PTO is bringing this back!!! Sue prepared the form and Keith requested that the form be in a goole doc so that it can be edited. Unlike years past, we will not wait until the spring to make purchases. As forms come in, the PTO will take a vote on the items to purchase at time of need. Question was asked if we want to put a monetary cap on items? Voted that we will talk about items requested and possibly put larger ticket items on hold until the end of the school year to see where we are at for funding.

~Soccer Donations

Sue

Sue was asked if we could donate paper products to the HMS soccer team for use at their end of season party. Vote was taken and we will donate.

~Art Contest

Joy/Art Club

It's been posted on the announcements in PowerSchool and said on the overhead daily announcements at school. Art Club is going to hang flyers. Theme is the mission of the PTO: getting families, school and community together. Four winners will be selected for each season (Dec, Jan/Feb, Mar/Apr, May/June). Contest runs from 11/6-11/23. Each winner will receive an Adidas backpack with the school logo.

~Facebook page name

Sue

Vote was taken and new name will be HMS PTO. We will update our mission statement and also explain there will be no answering school questions on this site going forward. Refer parents with questions to the HMS School page.

New Business:

~Bookfair

Dianne/Beth

Scholastic has us still listed for 11/18-11/23 as an in-house book fair. Dianne called 10/21 and is waiting to hear back from them. We cannot do in-house but still want to run the fair through catalogs and online sales. Librarian, Beth Sloat, very familiar with book fairs and ran a virtual one last year. Dianne is also looking into the funds we have left from last year. Only downfall to virtual is that it does take awhile for home delivery.

~Backpack Raffle

Sue/Dianne

We want to do some type of raffle for students to win Adidas Backpacks with the HMS logo. Thinking of ideas of how to have both in-school and remote teachers reward students with show the school mission. Worried about adding another thing to the teachers plate, so trying to find an easy way to have students receive "tickets". Dianne is reaching out to a vendor she uses for prices and she will be making a flyer.

~Papa Gino's Fundraiser

Yojna

Yojna will be reaching out to Papa Gino's and get more information. Typically 20% of dinner sales go to the school. Joy brought up pairing it up with a football game on a Sunday. Maybe first week of December... 12/6 4:25pm game Pats vs. Chargers.

~Virtual Movie Night

Karen

Karen O'Brien asked for PTO support in making the movie Upstanders available to families for home viewing. She should us a clip from the film. The movie presents the struggles with bullying and how to handle those situations. They are running a special "Live Screening" with a panel and moderators for a reduced price of \$850. Movie would be offered for home viewing on Nov 10th at 7pm. Families can watch together and have conversations. PTO voted and approved the funding for the film. We want to try and work it into the curriculum so that students will have an assignment to encourage them to watch at home. Karen and Joy are going to work together to do a write up to parents.

~Hannaford Program

Katie

Katie volunteered to continue the Hanhaford pay our school program. Sue has more information and will pass it along to Katie.

Vote for New Members and Open Positions

President - Sue Clement

Vice President - Dianne Chandonnet

Treasurer - OPEN

Secretary - OPEN

Board Members: Katie Verrocchio, Marytrini L, Yojna Mathur, Megan Grand

Next meeting - TBD