



MINUTES

Perry Hall Middle School PTSA- General Meeting

Sept 15, 2021

Prepared by: Leslie Zink

Meeting called to order by Shellie Holthaus @ 7:03 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

In Attendance 21 persons

Executive Board Members:

Shellie Holthaus

Falon Addair

Nancy Foltz

Leslie Zink

Carrie Bentley

Kelly Hobbs

Principal Lisa Perry

+ 14 PHMS Parents

Approval of Minutes

___No meetings to be approved___. *FIRST GENERAL MEETING*

- 11 Previous PTSA Members in attendance for meeting quorum
- President Welcome and thanked everyone for attending 1st General Meeting of 2021-22 school year
- Executive Board Member Introductions

Treasurer's Report

- Reviewed Proposed budget.
- Starting Budget \$8,025.49. This is \$10,000 less than previous years.
- New Income to date: About half way to goal for membership dues

Approval of Proposed Budget with 0 changes. Aye 15, Nay 0

President's Report

- Future Meeting dates on handout and online
- Review of Committee chairs needed

- First fundraiser- Restaurant Night at Dominick's on 9/28/21 from 11am-9pm
- NEW website PHMSPTSA.ORG
- Executive board general email info@phmsptsa.org
- 119 Spirit wear Items sold (goal is 300+)

Principal's Report

- Introductions
- Postponed 6th grade intro activity per BCPS
- Postponed Boo Bash per BCPS
- Spring play- Rescheduled and being held 9/18
- Winter concerts- looking at outdoor options TBD
- Fall testing MCAP- Sept 21st and 22nd for Math, Sept 28th & 29th for ELA
- Oct 5 and 6- 6th graders will take 5th grade Misa test
- Oct 11th and 12th- Picture Day
- 8th Grade Trip – Raising money to bring costs down
- Crossing Ebenezer Road – Students need to cross ONLY at cross walk where cross guard is present
- Transportation- PHMS is not in charge of buses. Trying to communicate with parents ASAP with late buses

Potential Committees and Discussion on Topics

Audit	Need a committee
Box Tops	Need a committee
Dance/ Bingo	Social dance for all – TBD Need a committee

Fundraising Suggestions	Parent fundraising suggestions – “Plant Night” Planting terrariums of succulents at Das Bierhalle or Looney’s McDonalds back to school night Color Run/ 5k- outside company who manages all of it Bull Roast Craft show w food trucks Hot spot raffle- Draw a name for each month for HOT SPOT parking space for children pick up Amazon smile account		
Hospitality	Executive Board held Welcome Back Breakfast for staff on Aug 23rd-Very successful and appreciated by all staff		
Membership	Currently 51 staff memberships, 85 household, 2 business (total 1900+ households within the school)		
Nominating	Need a committee		Need committee chair
PHHS Liaison	Need a liaison to attend PHHS Monthly PTSA Meeting		
Restaurant Nights	First night is Dominick’s Pizza on 9/28/21. Restaurant Fundraisers will be held monthly		
Scholarship	Need a committee		

Special Ed Liaison	Need a committee
Spirit wear	First order placed! Orders will be accepted thru the year
Student Recognition	RED BAG PROGRAM- Teachers nominate students to reward excellence with gift bags. Bags will be delivered monthly Nov-Apr
TAW	Need a committee Event is held in May
Volunteer Coordinator	Need a committee
Website	NEW PTSA Website is: phmsptsa.org

New Business

Q&A

Parent question- What fundraising did previous PTSA do?

- PTSA Answer- Basketball concession stand, restaurant nights, spirit wear, dances.

- Principal Answer – Color Run

Parent works for company who donates equipment ie chrome books, robotics, etc when they are over budget .

Question- would company donate monetary amount in lieu of equipment?

-Principal Answer -Would look into it following BCPS guidelines on donations

Parent Question- 8th grade events?

Principal Answer- Drive thru is on no matter what. Dance and field trip are on the books Covid permitting.

Parent Question- Hearing about fights. Is this normal?

Believe the following issues are: Kids have not been together in a long time.

Children do not know how to communicate appropriately.

Cell phones are a big issue.

Trash talking after hours and then it overflows into school.

Actions being taken: Student suspensions Staff is crafting a social media letter to go out to parents explaining issues with social media, FB, TicToc. School schedule will change to longer classes/ less class changes to avoid time students are in hallways

Schoology is best way to communicate. Students can contact a staff at any time during the day to ask for help or report any issues.

PTSA question- Do children know the consequences?

Principal answer- went on announcements explaining rules and consequences over the first few days.

Trying to be creative with consequences because being sent home is not enough of a punishment.

There is no in-school suspension space at this time due to Covid overflow.

Parent suggestion- Parents call White Marsh precinct to get more police presence in the hallways.

Parent question- How many resource officers do we currently have?

Principal answer- 1 , and I have requested an additional officer every year I have worked here.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made at 8:04 pm by Shellie Holthaus.

Motion 1st: Nancy Foltz 2nd: Annette Polvinale

Next Meeting

Next General PTSA meeting will be held @ PHMS on 10/13/21 at 7pm.