

**DRAFT**

**PTO Minutes from:**  
10/5/2016



**In Attendance:**

Jane Harland President, Regina Sbarbaro VP, Jenny Montgomery Co-Secty, Susan Kloberdanz Co-Secty, Melinda Roberts Asst. Principal Student Life, Steph Porteous Past Vice President and Coffee/Pizza with Principal Chair, Cathy Kruger Teacher Appreciation/ACT Snacks, Tom Mullally Sports Boosters, Kim Klebe Parent, Michelle Bancroft Parent, Hannah Smiley Student Rep

**Meeting commenced by President at 6:34 p.m.**

**President's Report**

A moment was taken to acknowledge Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Jenny and Susan will be creating a survey to collect information from parents regarding dues. The tone will not be confrontational, but rather informational. A hyperlink will be in it for those who will want to pay the dues.

Submissions for the PTO grant are due by the end of October. We have received two from teachers and are hoping for more.

Young Hearts for Life is coming up in November. Melinda reported that in the past, the event was funded by community members and parents. However, in the last two years, the donations have severely decreased. The event is free for the students but costs \$11,000. The PTO and Sports Boosters each contribute \$2,000. Melinda's department makes up the difference with no contributions from the district.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Jenny reported on behalf of Laura that there was a small amount of activity since the last report. One expense of \$95 for Homecoming cookies and \$420 in additional PTO dues were received.

Discussion was held regarding Black and Blue next year and how to increase concession income.

### **Principal's Report**

Melinda reported on behalf of Audra that PSATs are October 19<sup>th</sup> for juniors and electives fair will be held in the afternoon. Seniors will use that day as a college day to fill out applications, research colleges or post-high school education, etc.

## Committee Chair Reports

Hannah reported that Homecoming was a lot of fun. She didn't hear a lot of complaints about the dance. She gave the PTO a thank you note for our help. She felt the set up in the cafeteria was a good idea...the students could breathe. When asked about the size of the water bottles, she felt that smaller bottles would be better since they can't be taken out of the cafeteria and the larger ones weren't finished. (Cups of water aren't provided anymore due to the length of time they sit out, sanitary issues and possible safety issues.) (Strobe lights shouldn't be used due to students with seizure disorders and students with concussions.)

Claire Miller, a senior, has been working for about a year to coordinate a community-wide mobile packing event with Feed My Starving Children on November 6<sup>th</sup>. Student Council is working hard to publicize it. 100,000 meals will be packed for \$30,000. (Thirty three cents per meal.) The event will be held at Aquascape in Batavia.

Hannah asked if the PTO would be interested in helping on the first day of school next year to serve the seniors breakfast...PTO will be happy to help.

Jenny Montgomery - DPTO Jenny recapped the last DPTO meeting which had a heavy focus on PTO dues. All schools represented, with the exception of Haines,

reported at least a 50 percent decrease in families paying dues. Most parents had a difficult time paying or remembering to pay their dues due to the changes the district made to the registration sheet. PTO dues were removed this year as a line item on the registration forms. The district made this change to ensure there was no commingling of monies. The district and PTOs are in communication to resolve this issue.

The remainder of the DPTO meeting focused on the proposed middle school plans. Details can be found on the district web site.

Stephanie Porteous - Coffee Fundraiser Stephanie reported the fundraiser will be held November 13-20. Club advisors will be given order forms and orders will be taken online as well. Stephanie is working hard behind the scenes.

Kim Klebe - Nurse Fund

Kim is now running a Sign Up Genius approximately every nine weeks for volunteers to provide food due to our budget shortfall. It has been working wonderfully and parents have been generous and the nurse's office is very appreciative!

Teacher Conference Dinner is early November. Kim will send out a Sign Up Genius for that as well. Melinda said this event is greatly appreciated by the teachers.

-----  
-----  
Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Next PTO meeting is November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the  
LRC.

Please join us!!