

Hillside PTO Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2017

In Attendance: Kim Gilroy, Tanya Robinson, Justine Bernard, Brendan McCafferty, Mike Dupree, Moira Philbrook, Bridget Cardin, Maureen Hamel, Wendy Hudson, meg Diaz, Roberto Diaz, Elizabeth Gosselin, Corina Hermann, Roben Katsalis, Andrea Tartsa, Kim Barbee, Phillip Sapienza, Nancy Stocks, Dawn Rice, Jim O'Connell, Sara Loughlin, Magdalane Stanley, Pat Oneil, Michelle Leonard,

Meeting Began: 7:03 pm

Treasurers Report: Mike Dupree reported that we currently have \$1242.95 in our general account and \$18,728.15 in our auction account. We discussed whether or not the saw that was purchased for Technology Class should come out of the auction account vs the general account. Brendan prefers to keep as is because the funds raised for the auction were for upgrades to our media center. Mike motioned to table this topic for our next meeting.

Principal's Report: Brendan announced that Sara Loughlin is our new Assistant Principal. She replaces Jane Clayton.

Smarter Balance Testing will be held in April: 4/3- 6th graders, 4/10-7th graders, 5/1- 8th graders. Opting out is allowed.

We are expected to see a \$5m to \$6m reduction in budget cuts for 2017/2018 school year

Book Fair- Week of March 20

Brendan asked Sara Loughlin to give an update on athletics: Sara reported out that she is in the process of completing an inventory for all uniforms. She added that she and team coaches can ask the district for new sports uniforms rather than taking from the PTO general account. Coaches can contact Dave Ryan. She is also working on a procedure/policy for uniforms that are not returned at end of season.

Brendan facilitated a presentation on the history of our Annual Auction Event and the positive impact it has had at Hillside from gym and media center make-over, to providing new learning opportunities through technology enhancements.

Auction Update:

New Business: The PTO moving forward

We need to set PTO goals prior to the start of the school year. This should be done in August.

Other suggestions: We should budget/allocate dollars by team. Funds for HAMMS should be established. We need to implement simple forms of fundraising: Selling popcorn at games and during lunch periods, Candy grams, Family BBQ. These events could help increase the general account. Money raised could help pay for 8th grade field day, Lego Club

**NEXT PTO MEETING WILL BE ON WED. February 8th.
Auction Meeting to take place prior to PTO at 6pm.?**

Meeting Adjourned: ?