

Highland Middle School

PTO Meeting Minutes

August 29, 2011

1. Call to order

President—Lisa Owens called to order the regular meeting of the Highland Middle School PTO at 9:02 am on Monday August 29th, 2011, in the student library.

Lisa welcomed everyone back and thanked new officers for stepping up to fill the board positions. Lisa let everyone know that she was stepping down as president and Annette Wissel would be taking her position as Highland Middle School PTO president. Lisa now works more hours at her job and is unable to continue her obligations as president.

2. Roll Call

The following persons were present: Lisa Fouseh, Gina Rogers, Gail Kelly, Kelly Welch, Missy Schreiner, Christine Medwid, Melissa Augustine, Angela Chesnick, Cheryl Treb, Annette Wissel, Ann Murphy, Julie Muzyczka, Michelle Connors, Lori Bowers (Names acquired from sign-in sheet).

3. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Minutes from the May 2011 meeting were briefly read by Ann Murphy. A motion was made by Cheryl Treb to approve the minutes and seconded by Gail Kelly.

4. Treasurer's Report

Anka Wiencek was unable to be present for reading an overview of the budget, so Lisa Owens read the proposed budget for 2011-2012. Rachael's Challenge was added to the "Programs" category for PTO support of \$500.00 and New Student was added for PTO support of \$300.00. Added \$500.00 to the 6th grade "Student Assistance category". A motion was made by Cheryl Treb to approve the 2010/2011 budget and it was 2nd by Missy Schreiner. **(a copy of the budget is available upon request – ankawiencek@roadrunner.com).*

5. Principal's Report- -Dr. Deuber

*Dr Deuber informed all that Assistant Principal Mrs. Gaussman was on her way to the hospital in hopes of having her baby soon.

*New interim Assistant Principal Mr. Craig J. Bailey to begin the 2011-2012 school year. Has 37 years of education experience.

*Building progress report: Working on gym roof since June. Roof was old done in 1975 or early 80's. The repair of the roof was scheduled even before the fire last year. Should be done soon. Boys and Girls locker rooms are finished.

*State Report Cards will come home with students on September 6th, 2011.

*New courses at HMS—Asian Cultures (6th grade); Wellness (6th & 7th)—Created these classes after talking to the High School teaches to fill in for study halls from last school year. Wellness class is taught by Mr. Howard and consulting with Akron Children's Hospital. Will be teaching about stress, sleep, and eating well. No teachers were added for these classes.

*Highland Pride Golf Outing is September 25th, 2011 at Ridge Top Golf course. Please attend .

*Dr. Deuber would like to add more wireless hubs to the school. In the Library and more in the cafeteria area.

9:30 am Mr. Gilbert, Student Councilor reported that Highland Middle School has 35 new students this year mostly in the 6th and 7th grades. This is an average increase. The New Student program is run by Mr. Gilbert and he serves lunch to the new students. September 13th, 2011 is scheduled for this lunch. Kelly Welch volunteered to chair this event and set-up.

6. Old Business

In May the PTO donated money towards the Teacher Appreciation Week . Muffins, bagels and coffee were purchased. The teachers were very thankful. PTO would like to do a little more for them next year.

7. New Business

Discussions were made about moving the 8th Grade Washington D.C. trip to October. Dr. Deuber will get more info.

Committee Chairpersons: The following have volunteered to chair the below commit:

Activity Night-Annette Wissel & Cheryl Treb **Refreshments for Testing**-Vicki Tekaucic

Bionic Night-Kelly Welch, Angela Chesnick, Melissa Augustine

School Supply Sale-Lori Bowers **Book Fair**-Kelly Welch

Student Directory-Sharon McFadden **Bulleting Board**-Debbie Mall

Sunshine-Annette Wissel **Landscaping/Court Yard**-Diane Soldat

HMS Blood Drive-Gina Rogers **6th Gr. Field Day**-Annette Wissel & Cheryl Treb

Hospitality-Kathy Hoose **Mother Day Plant Sale**-Chris Bateman

Activity Night chairs looking for game head person and a volunteer to run food area. First activity night is September 30th, 2011, 7pm-9pm.

Bionic Night is Friday, March 2nd, 2012-7th grade only, dance, food, and classes for kids, t-shirts Deputy Cetner talks about drugs in Median County to parents at the end of the night.

Blood Drive is scheduled for October 14th, 2011-No school that day.

8. Committee Reports/Updates

School Supply Sale Report:

*Used "Friends" as supplier for supply sale. Went much better than when used Staples. 367 Shoppers on Thursday, August 18, 2011 and 137 shoppers on Friday, August 19, 2011. Over \$9000 in profit made from the sale. Extra items left over were donated to the teachers of the Middle School, (Ziploc Bags, Wipes, and Tissues). Misc Supplies were donated to Mr. Gilbert for students in need of school supplies. Will schedule more NJHS students for after sale clean up. \$25.00 sheets gift cards were given to teachers and staff who helped at the sale.

*Need Hospitality person for September 1st, 7th and 8th grade open house. Annette Wissel said she would volunteer.

Butter Braids Report:

*Gail Kelly, Chair Person, reported that assembly for the sale is today and order forms will come home today as well. Delivery of product will be September 28, 2011 and will need volunteers from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM.

No more fundraisers for 8th grade Washington D.C. Trip.

***Melissa Augustine and Chris Medwid**-asked the PTO if they wanted to purchase bracelets that were handed out at Hinckley Carnival. They are .50 cents each. They are green with a saying of "Believe in Green Highland Strong". Annette Wissel will talk with Kim Daniels who runs the prizes for the activity nights as a possible prize for the games.

9. Adjournment

At 10:08 am Julie Muzyczka motioned for the meeting to adjourn and it was seconded by Cheryl Treb.

**Next Meeting will be
Monday, October 3, 2011 at 9:00 am.**

Minutes submitted by : Ann Murphy, secretary

