

HIGHLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL



PTO MEETING MINUTES



August 30, 2010

I. Call to order

President – Lisa Owens called to order the regular meeting of the Highland Middle School PTO at 8:40pm on Monday August 30, 2010, in the Student Library.

II. Roll call

The following persons were present: Lisa Owens, Anka Wiencek, Debbie Mall, Dr. Deuber, LeAnn Gausman, Lori Bowers, Gail Kelly, Kelly Welch, Pamela Murray and Missy Schreiner (Names acquired from sign-in sheet).

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Minutes from the May meeting were briefly read by Debbie Mall. A motion was made by Gail Kelly to approve the May 2010 minutes and seconded by Lori Bowers.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Anka Wiencek gave a summary of the Treasurer's report for the end of the school year 2009-2010 as well as an overview of the proposed PTO budget for the 2010-2011 school year. A motion was made by Gail Kelly to approve both reports and it was 2nd by Lori Bowers.

**(a copy of the budget is available upon request - ankawiencek@roadrunner.com)*

V. Principal's Report – Dr. Deuber



Dr. Deuber commented on the success of the School Supply Sale. He received a lot of great feedback as well as suggestions for next year.



The current 7th & 8th grade class will go to DC. Fundraising for this trip will start soon. Parents will incur a cost increase from last year due to the failure of the levy.



The current 6th graders will also start funding for their 8th grade trip to DC. The status of funding and the passage of the levy will determine whether they will go. If future levies fail, the monies they accumulated will go to another event for their class. It will not be refunded individually.



PAY FOR IT is the new system that will replace PAYSCHOOLS. Log on to <https://www.payforit.net/login.aspx> to register your student.



We do have a few students with peanut allergies. To help create a safe environment, our students will be required to consume all food and drink in the cafeteria. While this has always been the expectation, it will be strictly enforced. Also, students will wash hands with soap and water after lunch. The water-less anti-bacterial cleanser is not an effective method of removing the peanut proteins (allergens) from hands that can cause a reaction.

VI. OLD BUSINESS



Debbie Mall volunteered to continue her position as PTO Secretary. Gail Kelly agreed to help Co-Chair the 8th Grade Field Trip Fundraiser. There is still a need for a person to Coordinate the HMS Blood Drive on October 13th.

VII. NEW BUSINESS



St. Paul Lutheran Church is in desperate need of food donations for their Sharing Center. If you can donate please contact the church at 330-239-1340 or log on to <http://www.stpaulsharoncenter.com/Default.aspx?tabid=77>



October 11th the "*Rachel's Challenge*" Program will be coming to the Highland School District. Detailed information to follow. To learn more about "*Rachel's Challenge*" go to <http://www.rachelschallenge.org/>

VIII. Committee Reports



Lori Bowers reported for the School Supply Committee. The sale was a HUGE success with a profit of \$8,700.00 and 63% of student participation!!!! There were 75 door prizes given out. Gift Cards were given to office helpers who assisted.

IX. Adjournment

At 9:40 am Gail Kelly motioned for the meeting to adjourn and it was seconded by Dr. Deuber.

Next meeting will be Monday October 4th at 8:30am.

Minutes submitted by: Debbie Mall, secretary