

## PTMS PTA GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

November 8, 2013

- I. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance
  - a) President Rochelle Saxon called the meeting to order at 9:17 am. There were approximately 7 people in attendance in addition to the PTA Board, PTMS Principals and Guidance Counselors (see attachment).
  - b) The Pledge of Allegiance immediately followed.
  
- II. Guidance Counselors Mrs. Goodwin and Ms. Kenny reviewed the bullying survey results.
  - a) The survey is administered at the end of the school year to get the best results. There is an increase in those bullying and being bullied and a decrease in those telling someone. PTMS is getting more descriptive in the survey questions.
  - b) Reported incidents are investigated and the action taken depends on the situation. Increased supervision in the school, such as the locker rooms, has decreased the number of incidents.
  - c) Students are instructed in how to respond to bullying and are given multiple options on how to handle a situation. There is an on-line reporting method and the school can be contacted if parents feel like there are no options.
  
- III. Principal's Remarks – Dr. Robert Freado
  - a) A dance-a-thon is being planned to conclude the Blue Ribbon celebration on January 31, 2014. The Blue Ribbon award is due to community involvement and is a community achievement. This entertainment fundraiser is designed to give back to the community. There are multiple causes being considered as the beneficiary.
  - b) The Blue Ribbon banners are up and look good.
  
- V. Secretary's Report – Cathleen Faina  
The minutes from the October 3, 2013 PTMS PTA Meeting were approved as presented.
  
- VI. Treasurer's Report – Cathy Vargo (see attached budget and budget adjustments sheet)
  - a) May need to increase the budget for Director's insurance.
  - b) Constant Contact cost increase of \$19 for upgrading will be covered by funds from Open House, New Student Orientation and Insurance. Motion made by Lori Gummersbach and second by Michele Szewczyk.
  - c) Funds of \$58.88 need to be moved from Start-up and Open House to cover the Welcome Back Dance. Motion made by Lisa Anderson and second by Melanie Hutnick.
  
- VII. First Vice President's Report – Cindy Chapman
  - a) Lisa Anderson gave an Area Council update. Interstate was signed for the school picture contract. School testing results were reviewed. See the attached budget information presented at the October 28<sup>th</sup> Finance meeting. November 21st is the next Area Council Meeting and Education meeting.
  - b) Apple Crunch Day on October 24<sup>th</sup> was great thanks to Donna Waigand and all of the bakers.
  - c) Boxtops winners were Gallagher (7<sup>th</sup>) and Cherin (8<sup>th</sup>). The next donut day is February 7<sup>th</sup>.
  - d) Reflections judging is November 13<sup>th</sup>.

- e) Teen Center was canceled due to lack of volunteers. This program at the Rec Center stopped about 10 years ago and was trying to be reintroduced.
- f) Cindy thanked Lori Gummersbach for hospitality.

VIII. Second Vice President's Report – Michele Thomas

- a) The Student Faculty Volleyball game is November 14<sup>th</sup>. Teachers are on board and students are needed. There will be a mini concession stand. The plan is to promote this on the morning announcements and email blasts.
- d) Staff Appreciation was yesterday from 5-6 pm. Thank you to Debbie Magyar and Dawn Sheve.

IX. Old Business - none.

X. New Business – none.

XI. Adjournment of the meeting was at 10:50 am.

These minutes were recorded by Cathleen Faina, Recording Secretary, PTMS PTA

Approved on January 2, 2014, \_\_\_\_\_  
Cathleen Faina, Secretary