



## GENERAL PTA MEETING 6

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**Feb 3, 2025 / 7 PM / In-Person**

### **Attendees:**

**LHMS PTA Board (6): Renee Brown Small\*, Mary Ellen Spencer\*, Vonda Hampton, April Setlik, Andrew Gordon\*, Jessica McInerney**

**LHMS Staff (1): Marissa Brooks\*, Director, Student Services**

**Parents/Others (7)**

**Attendees:** (14) attendees in total (6 Board/Parents, 7 Parents/Others, 1 Staff)

[See this document] for the list of attendees. Note: (\*) indicates individuals not listed on attendance sheets but in attendance.

### **7:04 PM Meeting CALL TO ORDER by Renee Brown Small, President**

- Secretary's Report- Mary Ellen Spencer, Secretary
  - Minutes from the January 2025 meeting were reviewed and approved.
    - Vonda Hampton made the motion to approve and Katherine Stanley seconded the motion. All voted in favor of approving the minutes.
- Renee Brown Small, Presidents Report,
  - Working on updating mini-grant policy and will present new policy and whatever mini-grant requests that have been collected in March.
  - The PTA needs a Basketball Game Chair; the game will be held March 25th at South Lakes.
  - Trying to schedule the Substance Abuse Specialist to give a talk during the March or April PTA meeting.
- Treasurer's Report- Andrew Gordon
  - Net income from July 1-now: \$3,000
  - Still need to fund mini-grants.
  - Need to put in a new spirit wear order soon.
  - Had to fund the hospitality breakfast from the beginning of the school year: \$1400.

- Fundraising, Jessica McInerney
  - Fundraising night at Chick-fil-a was a huge success. We raised \$500 and the CFA contact said this was their biggest fundraiser yet.
  - The Red's Table fundraiser raised \$30 but Jessica was going to go back and talk with them because several members of the PTA were there and it seemed like we'd raised more than \$30.
  - The PTA has made \$100 so far with the Giveback's Shop-to-Give Program.
- Principal's Points:
  - The rising 8th grader Curriculum night will be held in February. This is a new and much needed event.
  - SOL testing dates are available. Please make a note of these dates on your calendar and send your student to school well rested. SOLs are good benchmarks for students and help measure reading/math skills.
  - The IRW (Integrated Reading Writing) tests will be in April.
  - The date for Career day is April 25th. This was a big success last year, there was such a wide variety of careers represented. Please sign up if you'd like to speak this year.
  - National School Counselor week is happening now. Planning a Thursday Breakfast/Friday Lunch to say thank you to all of our counselors. The PTA will help with some of the funding needs for this.
  - One parent noted some discrepancies on the rising 9th grader google form. Ms. Brooks will bring it to the attention of SLHS but these forms are not required. Counselors from the high school will visit LHMS the week of Feb 18-22 and will meet individually with students.
- Book Fair Information
  - The LHMS Book Fair is set for March 17-21, 2025. It's going to be a great way to show that Langston Hughes supports books. Sign up to volunteer to help with the event.
- 8th Grade class Party: May 30th, 6-8pm,
  - Mr. Braxton and Ms. Gardiner lead the committee on the school side.
  - Students are a big part of deciding the theme and what they want to do.
  - There will be SUG and wish lists closer to the event.
  - Hoping to have a DJ again.
- Other Information:
  - Skate night will be held March 14th from 7:30-9:30pm.

**Meeting adjourned: 7:52 pm**