



Monday, April 21, 2025

Harper Park Middle School PTA meeting

Attendees:

Rachel Bryson

Stacee Huffer

Nikki Maples-Reynolds

Allyson Eide

Olivia Henson

Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Nikki.

March meeting minutes were approved, motion by Nikki Maples-Reynolds, Rachel Bryson second.

Principals report, Stacee Huffer:

-Lots of testing will occur during the month of May

-Yearbook signing will happen for all grades on June 10. Doesn't change anything related to 8th grade picnic on June 4.

-Mrs. Huffer would like to offer some staff spirit wear in August, but did not want to interrupt anything related to PTA spirit wear sales (which we very much appreciate!). She would like to use some pieces offered at Cheers Sports. It was agreed that we would work together on this and come to a mutual agreement to make this happen.

-Bruster's and Buffalo Wild Wings spirit night (April 22)-Claire Kilmartin to wear Captain Cane costume. Teachers and Admin will be present at both locations. A basket will be available for BWW receipts.

-8th grade picnic-planning on Costco pizza and drinks. Chips and fruit to be donated by parent community. There are items leftover from grade level dances that are in the PTA closet that could also be used.

-Susan Lang to provide invoices for DJ and photo booth.

-International Night was a huge success with more than 200 people in attendance. May team up with Heritage High School next year.

Presidents report, Nikki Maples-Reynolds:

-A new board needs to be elected for the 2025-2026 school year. At a minimum, a PTA needs a President, Treasurer and Secretary. Allison and Nikki will provide a short blurb to Mrs. Huffer for her weekly email.

-PTA table will be set up for upcoming chorus concert (5/13) and band and jazz ensemble concert (5/22)

-\$3,000 budget for 8th grade party, Mrs. Huffer says \$1,900 has been spent on bounce house rental.

-After short discussion regarding 8th grade yard signs, it was decided to extend the deadline until Friday. Order to be placed by Rachel Bryson over the weekend.

VP of Grants, Kendra Sveum:

-\$1,600 in grant money left for this school year. Money could always be rolled over to next school year. Money could also be given to other line items in our budget (ex: Teacher Appreciation Week).

-Mrs. Huffer has made a request for 2 commercial grade microwaves. Grant was approved at the meeting. Rachel Bryson to follow up on request.

-Stephanie Winslow to run the Pen Pal project one more time before the end of the school year. Approximate cost \$50. Approved by PTA.

VP of Membership, Allyson Eide:

-No updates

Treasurer, Rachel Bryson:

-Current bank balance of \$8,300 as of 4/21/25

-Income for the month came from remaining Suessical deposits

-Expenses for the month were from reimbursements for Suessical and Ms. Glenn's grant request for popcorn machine.

-MoneyMinder (accounting software) cost will be going up from \$199 to \$299 (Fall renewal). PTA is not required to use MoneyMinder, other possibilities include Quicken, QuickBooks or our own spreadsheet. After a short discussion, the PTA will likely stick with MoneyMinder going forward.

Committees:

Communications, Allyson Eide:

-Scheduled emails have been done for the remainder of the month.

Drama, Heidi Adair:

-Nikki pulled some numbers together and after expenses the play profited \$3,496.64

Hospitality, Olivia Henson:

-Teacher Appreciation week schedule:

Monday: PTA to provide Taco bar, Olivia will provide some helpers in addition to Nikki and Rachel

Tuesday: HP to provide

Wednesday: PTA to provide breakfast grab and go items

Thursday: HP to provide

Friday: HP to provide

-A signup genius will be created to source additional gift cards for raffle prizes from Mrs. Huffer

LEAF, Kendra Sveum: no updates, no meetings recently

MSAAC, Eloise Simmons-Respress: no updates

SEAC report, Bobbi Desai: no updates

Spirit wear, Eloise Simmons-Respress: no updates

Spirit nights, Brittany Sharpe:

-The Empress Pearl Milk Tea (Purcelville)-seems they have ghosted us

-Brusters and Buffalo Wild Wings spirit event is 4/22

Odyssey of the Mind, not able to find enough volunteers to lead this initiative

Other notes:

Lena Smith, Dean, to be asking for funds for Croc charms.

Next meeting is May 12 at 6pm in HPMS library.

Meeting ended at 7:13pm.