

MINUTES OF HOMEWOOD PTA FALL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, September 20, 2017

7:00pm James Hart Wood Floor Gym

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President, Josh Eisenberg at 7:04 PM.

Those in Attendance

See hardcopy with Secretary.

Approval of Minutes

Approval of minutes by Jen Merrill and Kim Mayton.

Treasurer's Report – Jill Losh (Present) – Report made available.

Budget: Beginning Balance - \$10,598.14

Balance On Hand - \$9,124.66

Welcome & Introductions – PTA President Josh Eisenberg

 (Present)

Josh welcomes everyone and thanks them for coming. Gives brief explanation about what the PTA does and how every parent can play a vital role in it.

Introduces South Suburban Cook Region Director, Darvel Stinson.

Introduces the current PTA board members.

President Elect - Crystal Garhammer (Present); VP Membership - Jen Merrill (Present); VP Fundraising – Chenise “Cece” Belue (Present); VP Buildings – Kaci Howard (Present); Treasurer – Jill Losh (Present); Secretary – Joena Searcy (Present).

James Hart Ensemble Panther Choir gave an impressive performance.

Superintendent's Report—Dr. Dale Mitchell

 (Present)

Dr. Mitchell speaks about the positive attributes of the Homewood School District 153. He also brought attention to the very recent loss of our dearly beloved Kindergarten teacher, Ms. Jen Boyer. She will truly be missed! He introduced 3 new Kindergarten teachers from Willow, 6 new teachers from Churchill and the promoted Principals and Assistant Principals from both schools.

Dr. McAlister introduced five new teachers from James Hart and a group photo was taken.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Vice President/ Membership – Jen Merrill

 (Present)

Membership for this year so far stands at 543. Churchill is currently in the lead in the all school membership competition. James Hart is in 2nd place.

Vice President/ Fundraising – Cece Belue (Present)

Cece encouraged parents to get involved in PTA fundraising and gave a list of upcoming fundraiser dates.

Oct 30th – Nov 3rd – Book Fair at all 3 schools.

Cook Night's Out at Marco's – Oct 9th – 11th.

Krispy Kreme – Early November

Butterbraids – Currently happening. Raffling off Butterbraids today after the meeting.

Unfinished Business – No unfinished business

New Business – Adoption of Bylaws

Bylaw committee made a change to Article 6, Section B, Letter D.

Previously, a parent had to be a PTA member for 30 days prior to serving on the board. That time period was changed to 1 year so that the parent has more experience in the PTA prior to serving on the board.

No discussion in meeting.

Unanimous vote in favor of changes to bylaws.

Motion taken to approve proposed budget for 2017-18 by Jill Losh (Treasurer) and seconded by Cece Belue. Unanimous vote in favor of approving the budget.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:43pm.

Respectfully submitted by Joena Searcy, Secretary.

September 20th, 2017