

**Minutes of the Hill Middle School PTSA
February 9, 2010**

Call to Order: Jody Eriksen called the meeting to order at 2:03pm

Attendance: Debora Garcia, Beth Reiman, Anne Ruden, Char Freedlund, Cari Shanahan, Al Davenport, Jeanne Kern, Jody Eriksen

Minutes: January minutes approved as read.

Membership:

- One (1) more membership form added to the total this month. Extra directories are in the office and new members can receive when they join (Diane will coordinate delivery). Barb has the corrections for the directory changes.
- National PTSA dues are increasing for next year. This will need to be taken into consideration for our membership drive in the spring. We will add this item to discuss on the agenda at the March meeting.
- Regarding by-laws; the template form from Jean Donovan is needed. The goal is to have the amended by-laws ready by the March meeting. Committee consists of Cari Shanahan, Julie Coley and Debora Garcia.

Student PTSA: Zach K. reported that a total of \$410.75 has been raised through both school functions and a recent Hilltopper. The student PTSA still needs to decide on which organizations to donate the money to. Also, Hoops for Heart will take place on 2/19 befitting the American Heart Assoc.

Treasurer:

- Anne handed out updated budget information. Apparel has made \$234.55 vs. \$2500 in the budget. Discussion regarding apparel sales at registration counting towards the 2009-2010 budget. Also, the apparel sales will only be via order form instead of pre-orders. We currently have \$3500 in inventory for apparel.
- Testing breakfast will not have sales of \$400 as we need to purchase all food through Chartwells.
- Market Day snack budget came out of general PTSA vs. separate line item. It will now be taken out of student PTSA funds.
- Overall, we have budgeted money that will not be used so we should be fine in the overall balance.
- All returned check money has been collected.
- Anne will update budget to reflect closed out line items so we have a clear picture of money in plus column.
- Upcoming fundraiser will be flower sales. Anne suggested we have a fund for big school gifts that may be given every couple of years to the school. Jody will forward information to Al regarding trophy cases/display cases for the front entryway.

Administrative Report:

- Al thanked Laura Falk for organizing concessions at the Dodgeball tournament. A lot of food was donated to Hased House and Loaves & Fishes.
- The Bullying Assembly was held on Friday. Videos from Mr. Brom have also been shown to the students. The theme at Hill is-Stand: Students Stand Against Bullying And Never Disrespect. T-shirts are currently on sale with this theme. Incentive for student-if 400 are sold Mr. Davenport will breakdance at the talent show. PTSA will buy 50 t-shirts to have as giveaways.
- Testing Breakfast will feature 3 stations with each grade at a different location. Chartwells will provide the food. Students can use their ID to pay for food items. Volunteers are needed to help serve the food before school. Al will contact testing coordinator (Jennifer Wallace) to secure volunteers.
- Extended school day began 2 weeks ago. Currently 48 students are involved with the program with North Central College students assisting.

President's Report: Nominating committee is being formed. Currently the following people will be on it: Laurie Knoll, Vanessa Luchok and Anne Ruden. Anne will chair. Tina Marie Grove Nelson has expressed an interest in being on the board so the committee will follow-up with her on which position.

Ways and Means:

- Flower Sale will be April. Orders are due March 15. Will only sell flats, baskets and planters. Discussion about having a table at any upcoming spring events to boost sales. Deborah will check with chair to see about extending plant order deadline so could possibly have a table at spring concerts and talent show (March 19). Suggestion from meeting about telling people that money raised will go towards school beautification. Another suggestion about people buying flowers for the school as a donation and school groups could plant around school.
- Deborah asked that Dominick's card rebate program signup information be included on registration materials. A meeting will be set-up to incorporate new format for these materials.

Unfinished Business: None reported

Meeting was adjourned at 3:10pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Char Freedlund