

HHS PAC MEETING MINUTES

11/14/2017

Members Present:

Stefanie Furge, Jenifer Thomas, Nancy Braford, Kate Gregory

Meeting called to order at 7:48am

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Stefanie:

DPAC REPORT (Nancy):

Oct. 25th 2017. Chuck Hughes opened the meeting reporting about the Sinking Fund and its use. LES has had its wall braced. RES and HMSOC portables are being refurbished, as anticipated growth in the district, may require their use. VES and RES both have had water issues looked in to. VES will be painted and exterior refreshed. There is a link on the HCS website, that will be updated regularly showing the use of the sinking fund. EAGLES posters are hanging around the district. EAGLES stand for empathy, achievement, grit, link, empower and serve. This is to encourage students to gain functional independence, and social empathy. Since changed graduation requirements became effective in 2011, schools have been focusing on Magna cum laude and Summa cum laude recognition, eliminating Valedictorian and Salutatorian. Top 10 may also be phased out. Contract negotiations will begin with all units of HCS. Dave Minsker reported on the MSTEP results from the past Spring. 78% of current assessment showed improved or maintained scores over 2015/16. Special Education and the economically disadvantaged students grew at the same percentage as the general education students, and finished 1st or 2nd in the county.

- Nov. 8th 2017. Chuck Hughes opened the meeting sharing that he and board of education visited several schools in the past 2 weeks. FIS, LES, HHS and HMSOC. In the Spring, similar visits will occur at CES, RES, VES and Legacy. LESA has received a waiver for district schools to start before Labor Day. For the 2018/19 school year Fowlerville and Pinckney will start on Aug 27th. Howell will start on Aug. 28th. In the 2019/20 school year, these 3 schools will start the week of Aug. 19th. Neither Brighton, nor Hartland, have committed to an early start at this time. The schools most effected by early start are the HS students, with the greatest impact being shared classes, and mid term exams. Early start also increases the time for SAT prep. Michelle Otis was the guest speaker. Michelle is director of Community Ed. HCS Community Ed provides programs for residents from birth to senior citizens, scheduling of custodians, secure equipment, room reservations, publishes Community Life paper, manages aquatic center and before and after school care at Lakes. Winterfest is looking or groups to work activities for its event in late January.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT:

Kate Gregory reported that:

- Student council held a dodgeball fundraiser in early November, that went very well.
- Teacher conference dinner received numerous compliments and thanks from the staff.
- Band will go on a Tour of Schools Nov. 15th
- DECA attended a conference.
- CAD students attended the PIXAR exhibit at the Henry Ford Museum
- Girls and tech will tour Google
- Dana Reed (Career parapro) has schedule and arranged numerous college visits and skilled trade visits to HHS. These have included IBEW, HVAC, plumbing, and the Fashion Institute.

- College Application week in Mid October went very well. 755 applications were filled out for college and trade schools. 212 students filled out their first application and 94 were the 1st generation to apply to college.
- FASFA is not just financial aid. There are numerous scholarship and grant opportunities too.
- Unified basketball team has formed. This pairs special ed students with general ed peers, and together they compete as a team in the district.

READING OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING (October 10, 2017):

- Jen Thomas motioned to approve the minutes, Nancy Braford 2nd.

TREASURER REPORT:

- Thank you note from Ore Creek for donation toward Challenge Day
- PAC spent about \$35 for food and decorations toward teacher conference lunch
- \$80 was spent on Hershey kisses for sweetest day. Extra candy to be handed out during conferences.
- Heather Borst replied that a donation had been received for new student breakfast, so, PAC funds not needed this year.
- In general, Jen Thomas reported that the PAC is under budget for the year. Money is still available for teacher mini-grants.
- Nancy motioned to approve the budget, Stefanie 2nd it.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Sweetest day chocolate kiss hand out went well. Less volunteers needed at bus door (need about 2), with 3 needed at both the main entrance and student entrance.
- PAC webpages that "go nowhere have been fixed on the HHS webpage.
- Teacher conference lunch went well. Need to tweek items for next year.
- PIE fundraiser: Donated gift cards from Grand Traverse Pie Company and CRUST have been received. The Grand Traverse pie card was won by Peyton Peruzzi. \$35 was generated from this particular fundraiser.

NEW BUSINESS:

- CRUST pie fundraiser to be held on 11/16/17
- Kelly Dixon requested a possible donation from the PAC toward the Senior All night Party (SANP). \$100 was already approved in the budget towards this. Jen Thomas will issue check.

CALL TO MEMBERSHIP:

- No new business presented.

Due to the holidays, Stefanie motioned to cancel the December meeting. Jen and Nancy approved this decision.

Meeting was motioned to adjourn by Nancy at 8:30am, 2nd Jen.

Next meeting is January 9th 2018 at 7:45am in the High School Office.