

Nathan Hale PTSA Meeting
January 15, 2014

Meeting brought to order at 6:40 pm by Joyce Drews.

Attendance: Joyce Drews, Mike Drews, .Tiara Chambers (Vice Principal), Michael Ellery, Diane Schumitsch, Lori Palesse, Mary Schmidt.

Secretary Report November Minutes submitted by Gena Kraemer approved as is.

Treasurer Report: Mary Schmidt – see written report, correction of offsetting the membership with the income.

Website: Gena created the website & Facebook page. www.haleptsa.org, make sure you go to the Facebook page & like us to stay up to date. Membership list will be forwarded to Gena to add to the Gmail contact list so that we can reach out to the membership as needed. Diane Schumitsch moved to create a website line item with \$125 annually for the cost of having the website. Mary seconded.

Membership: Lori Palesse – Six new members with a fistful of teachers. Diane needs a list of teacher members by January for Teacher appreciation. Cindy Ray will have the list for Lori by the end of the week.

Winter Formal – Diane Schumitsch – needs volunteers for the Winter Formal at February 22nd from 6:30pm – 10:30pm

Council Report – Lori Palesse – Passed on the information from the district regarding legislation that is going before congress. Brought information regarding the motions that are proposed for the bylaws. Cyndi Barbian created much discussion about the bylaws. Explained that the board wanted to change the board so that the ½ the board would leave not all at once. The rumor is that the Council was trying to slide something by. Make sure you go online to fill out the district form online by the January 31st.

Principal Report: Grease! Is the musical this year. Winter Formal is February 22. Working with Madison & WMIS for bullying awareness on January 31. MAPS testing in February and will be web-based and be done on students I-pads. Second semester begins next Tuesday. Conferences 4:30 – 8:00. At least three teachers have left this year. Explained that the district is going in a certain direction with the next generation learning and given the go ahead to leave the district.

New Business: Teacher Grants, Mr. Ellery attended to pitch several teacher grants; however it was suggested that it be voted on as a program assembly. Hoping to get Emma Tills cousin but the cost was \$1500, Mr. Anderson is will speak to approximately 500 students—the entire freshman class would be invited, criminal justice class, AP government, etc. Mary Schmidt made a motion to pay \$575 to cover Mr. Anderson's Fee, Gena Kraemer seconded motion passed unanimously.

Michelle Flayter for \$150 for Art Club. She would like to have money to take the kids to events in the community for art related events such as Gallery Night, Milwaukee Art Museum, glass blowing, etc. She needs money to continue the club that is open to all students in the school but only about a dozen participate.

Anne Fitzgerald teaches digital photography classes, asking for \$150 have a dark room that they have but cannot be used because they need supplies.

60 students for Jewelry and Mixed media class needs more supplies. Asking for \$150.

Mike Drews made a motion to approve all three; motion failed.

Motion was made to pay \$100 for Art Club, \$150 for Tech Ed, \$150 for Jewelry & Mixed Media by Lori Palesse, seconded by Mary Schmidt which passed with a majority vote.

Meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm. Next Meeting is February 19 at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Gena Kraemer, Secretary
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