

Nathan Hale PTSA Meeting – September 17, 2014

Meeting brought to order at 6:40 pm by Diane Schumitsch.

Attendance/Introductions: Mary Schmidt, Diane Schumitsch, Joyce Drews, Lori Palesse, Genevieve Skowera, Matt Lesar, & Gena Kraemer.

Secretary Report: Gena Kraemer – Minutes approved as is.

Treasurer Report: Mary Schmidt – Presented budget that was posted on the website since end of July 2014. Laura Weaver moved to approve the budget as presented. Genevieve Skowera seconded. The budget passed unanimously. See written report for the Treasurer's Report.

President Report: Diane Schumitsch – Need one person to help with Homecoming Dance. Tuesday, October 7th will be dinner for teachers from 3:30 – 4:30 pm serving fresh lasagna (veggie version too).

Vice President Report: Laura Weaver – No report.

Council Report – January 10 will be the vendor fair. Award Ceremony will be May 15th, April 17-18th will be WI PTA Convention. Reflections will be "The World Would Be a Better Place if..." Due December 20 to Wisconsin PTA. February 15th will be council Carnival 12pm – 4pm. Circulated SEPTA flyer.

Membership: - Lori Palesse – 309 members, 91 teachers, 185 basic members, 124 deluxe, 87 Students, 131 parents. Still collecting memberships & the goal of 100% staff is very near.

Craft Fair – Diane Schumitsch - November 1st, need a volunteer coordinator to shadow current coordinator. Eric Metz volunteered to help put up signs & banners around West Allis. Need to push advertising for the event because it falls over the 4 day weekend.

Principal Report: Enrollment over 1700 students. Still hiring more teachers to bring down the class sizes. Back to school night about 200 parents that was appreciated by parents. Made \$1900 for ALS challenge, video was on the website. Recognized by Newsweek for the 4th year, in best schools in state (#16). Received PBIS School of Merit Award this summer. Exceeded expectations for the States School Report Card. There will be WKCE testing but it will not weigh as part of the state school report card. ACT will not be the test to get out of High School in Junior year. ACT Aspire in 9th, ACT Aspire 10th, & then ACT in the Junior year.

Unfinished Business:

The strips & whiteboards are ordered and should be coming. Matt will be looking for them.

Laura needs someone to help revise the scholarship applications. Looking for someone to sit on the committee. Gena Kraemer, Joyce Drews & Diane will try to meet to revamp the applications.

New Business:

Eric Metz would like help promote PTSA to more men to get them involved at Nathan Hale PTSA. Dad's are best to reach out in person.

Next Meeting: October 15th at 6:30 pm in the teacher's lounge.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,
Gena Kraemer, Secretary Nathan Hale PTSA