

# Hillsmere Elementary PTA Meeting

September 28, 2021

## Attendance

C. Heckman, T. Stakem, L. Brodjieski, M. Galvanek, K. Bray, A. Mudd-Rahmani, C. Rostien, J. Hanauer, L. Bolin, C. Lindvay, B. Bell, Z. Kirkpatrick, P. Bohnsack, L. Dana-Evans, Brooke, X. Hurlburt, Danielle, R. Sweeney, S. Kennard, S. Janu

## Minutes

7:03 Call to order

7:04 Lauren began with Community Circle

- First question: brief introductions were shared
- Second question: explain one positive thing regarding return to school

7:22 New Business

- Approval of budget
  - Cassie reviews recent big purchase of air purifiers/filters with anonymous donation
  - Lowered anticipated fundraising due to the unknowns of covid procedures
  - Michelle reviews budget, decided with caution and optimism (budgeted for tasks in anticipation that we can complete tasks this school year).
  - Open for questions; no questions
  - 7:33 Cassie makes a motion to approve budget, motion is seconded, motion passes, no objection, unanimous approval

7:34 Officer Reports

- President Report (Cassie Heckman)
  - New candidate for Officer of Enrichment VP, Sara Wittig. Heckman makes a motion to appoint, all in favor, no objections. Congratulations Sara!
  - Ms. Terry is asking parents to check students for symptoms and to contact school if student tests positive for Covid. Speak to Mr. Williams or Ms. Terry regarding Covid positive results.
  - Heads up for upcoming Spirit Wear sale which will occur online at the end of October. More information will be on the Buzz and Facebook. This will be the only opportunity for this year so don't miss it!
- VP Enrichment
  - No updates
- VP Membership/Engagement (Lisa Brodjieski)
  - 41 new members from BTSN, 16 more application picked up at school; 57 members as of 9/28
  - Online membership not included in this number; Lisa will coordinate with Michelle to include online membership
- VP Equity/Diversity (Lauren Bolin)
  - No updates
- Treasurer (Michelle Galvanek)

- No updates
- Secretary (Tracey Stakem)
  - No updates
- Volunteer Coordinator (Jamie Hanauer)
  - Volunteering will look differently this year, due to Covid restrictions. Please stay the course so we can accomplish what we can, when we are able.
  - Room parents are still needed for 5 classrooms. Please reach out if you are interested for: Fattouch, Shermer, Spence, Peters, Pickering. Some teachers have multiple room parents; if you are willing to divide in a duplicated room, (even if you do not have students in that room) please let Jamie know.
    - Room parents were discussed in the chat for some of these classes
- FUNdraising (Danielle Franz)
  - No updates
- Advocacy and Community (Kinley Bray)
  - Actively monitoring School Board agenda and minutes. School construction—board passed Superintendent’s budget last week. Last bit of money for new construction is in the budget!
  - Next Board 10/5 @ noon, sign up to speak. Cassie adds that Board meetings can also be viewed live on YouTube.
- Buzz (Christine Crosby)
  - No updates
- Webmaster (Charmaine Rostien)
  - No updates but considering creating a Google Form for PTA suggestions/feedback

7:47 Cassie opens for questions

- What Field trips are allowed? Only those considered essential for curriculum/instruction
- Symptoms/testing/quarantine—HES does have ability to rapid test
- Make up work while out on quarantine—Brightspace postings, reach out to teacher when in doubt
- Snacks for assessments—none allowed in schools at the moment
  - Can incentive money be used in place of snacks? Usually that is for snacks... only grades 3-5, can wait until spring