

HAST PATH PTO
General Meeting
January 17, 2018, 6:00pm @ HAST
Minutes

Elayne Tyderek, President	*vacant*, Vice President
Evie Rimkus, Treasurer	Lisa Sarwacinski, Secretary
Beatriz Gutierrez, Parent Advisor	Sarah Albin, Parent Advisor
Kelli Lucito, Teacher Advisor	Christine Politis, Teacher Advisor
Dr. Egan, Principal(abs)	

6:10pm Meeting was called to order by Elayne Tyderek.

Minutes were electronically distributed by the secretary, Lisa Sarwacinski last month. Sarah Albin made a motion to approve minutes, Kristen Mace, 2nd, all were in favor.

Treasurer Report - \$2893.25 is in our regular account. Have not had much activity in December & January. We had to purchase checks & pay monthly maintenance fee of \$15.

Christmas Luncheon for staff – December 15th was the date. The luncheon went very well. There was plenty of food & VOLUNTEERS!! Donna Paige, Billie Rollins & Lisa Sarwacinski were able to help before, during & after luncheon. Went very smooth. Thank you to all that donated & volunteered their time. PTO also received 4 new members at the luncheon & we also raffled off a \$25 gift card. The winner of the gift card was Christine Politis.

HAST wear – some of the parents brought up that it would be nice to have a year-round spirit store for athletics. The 2 weeks was not enough time & all the sports were not covered. Lisa did point out that the athletic spirit wear is separate from the school's. Would have to be discussed with Mr. Speer. Having the opportunity to order throughout the year & include all sports is something that would be more beneficial.

Attendance contest – there was much discussion on how to make middle school more welcome to attend games/events at HAST. It was pointed out that there are typically not a lot of fans in the stands. It was recommended to have an attendance contest for the last few home basketball games. Basketball games are the easiest for the students to attend since they are at our school. There are approximately 5 left (due to rescheduled make up games) PATH will have special trophies made – (1) for middle school & (1) for high school for the highest attendance. We will provide sign in sheets at the door for each grade. The cost will only be \$1 to get in, provided the students are wearing black or gold. We would publicize with posters, on the tv screens, website & email to parents.

HAST T-shirt design contest – PATH would host a design contest for a new HAST shirt, incorporating the school name and hawk. PATH would select the top 3 designs & the students would vote on the winner. The student that designed the shirt would win a free shirt plus \$25. We would like to do this during the month of February. Sarah Albin will create the flyer.

Canvas painting night – host a canvas paint night in April. It can be potluck type, everyone brings an appetizer or dessert to share, PATH provide drinks. Final details can be determined once the date is secured.

Ice cream treat day – it was recommended that we use tickets to ensure that all students receive a treat. We provide an ice cream treat as well as a lactose free treat. Last year, the ice cream was purchased at Aldi, in year's past it had been purchased at Sam's. Aldi was more cost effective.

Cough medicine samples – Sarah Albin won another prize for PTO – cough medicine samples/coupons. We will determine distribution later.

Clothing rack for 8th grade – it was recommended that PATH provide materials to mount a clothing rack for the 8th grade students. Currently there is a double rack, which cannot hold all the jackets & many end up on the floor. Since that is such a busy hallway, it would be nice to have 2 heavy duty poles mounted in the same area. It would also look much better, especially when visitors are in the building. This obviously would have to be coordinated with Dr. Egan & Mr. Funchion as he would be leading the job.

Principal's Report – Dr. Egan was not able to attend due to illness, but he did provide his School Leader Report to share.

Key Items –

We await our charter reauthorization results from Calumet College. We are assured of reauthorization. We are awaiting the determination of a 3 or 5-year contract. We are hoping for a 5-year contract.

Our senior class currently has \$1.9 million in scholarship offers, not including 21st Century or College Bound. One student alone has 10 college acceptances and nearly \$500,000 in total scholarship offers.

35% of our students made it to the A or A/B honor roll. Students on the honor roll for Q2 will have NUT pass for next Mon – Wed.

NUT pass date for PATH meeting participation will be Tuesday, Jan 30th

Next meeting – Feb ?? 2018 Meeting was adjourned at 6:45pm

NUT pass day for students whose parents were in attendance will be

Tuesday, January 30th, 2018 .

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