



HFAA PTO GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Opening

The general meeting of the HFAA PTO was called to order at 6:06 pm on September 17, 2020 by Christa Pitman.

Leadership Team Members Present

Keith Campbell, James Siranga, Christa Pitman, Beth Kelly, Bronda Williams, Amy Warne, Vanessa Green, Shannon Fomby, Tracy Treat, Michelle Calvo

Secretary's Report / Approval of Minutes- Amy Warne no minutes to read, first meeting of the year

Treasurer's Report- Bronda Williams reports having \$3,212 in PTO account. No budgets in from current committees, potential expenses include painting teacher work room, laminators, butcher paper. Goal of PTO is to help with projects that benefit the greatest number of students.

President's Report- Christa Pitman discussed plans that were in place prior to covid that are currently on hold. Successful events included the library book drive and feeding teacher. PTO provided water to students during finals week last year with inspiring quotes. Thank you to The Saucy Sicilian who offered food to teachers. Looking for creative ways to support teachers during this time.

Vice-President – Beth Kelly reviewed zoom etiquette

Superintendent's Report- Barry Schmelzenbach- thanks everyone for attending, community development and building relationships important especially now since we are limited in how we can connect. Calendar – discussed how the weekly calendar can shift specifically when looking at changing from two to four days per week of in person class. Administration projects two weeks into the future to determine if in person classes can take place. The school would like to see two weeks of the city being in the yellow prior to making any changes to the current schedule. Future- remember we are in a pandemic, however, we are moving forward with planning and growing re: long range plans to rebuild Harding. HFAA Board is reviewing and revising the long-term strategic plans.

Principal's Report- Keith Campbell- encouraged parents attending the call to get involved and stay connected. Parent service hours look different this year and cleaning is a priority. If unable to complete service hours, a \$10 per service hour contribution can be made in lieu of hours. There is a ten-hour service requirement for students and a ten-hour service requirement for families per semester.

Teacher Rep Report- James Siranga is the liaison between the PTO and the teachers. Please reach out to her if you have any ideas on ways to support teachers.

Committee Reports

1. Teacher Appreciation -Vanessa Green helps with PD day, helps with food when teachers stay late, discussed sign-up genius which is a way to help the school with various projects, talked about the teacher's lounge and alerted families to the recent email that went out regarding wish-list items.
2. Welcome Wagon- Michelle Calvo nothing to report
3. Media Guru- Amy Warne directed families to the HFAA PTO facebook page. Search HFAA PTO and ask to be a member!
4. Donation Station- Bronda Williams – discussed events such as the 5k and yard sale that were disrupted by covid. If you have any ideas on generating funds during the time of covid, please contact Bronda.



5. How Can We Help- Shannon Fomby – aka volunteer coordinator, directed families to the Harding website and to the Parent Involvement Survey which helps us reach parents in areas they would like to help, talked about a program called Donor's Choose which is a way to help individual teacher's with specific needs. To date, there are ten teachers with a Donor's Choose request.
6. Cheerleader- (Open) aka Athletics, athletics looking for newer equipment, also looking to implement a Booster Club. Please contact Bronda if you would like to help
7. Arts Council- Tracy Treat nothing to report
8. Library- Christa Pitman Book Drive was a success, organizing books at the moment. Congrats to the incoming Sophomores who won the book drive. They will receive a pizza party. Incoming Juniors were a close second!

Unfinished Business

n/a

New Business

1. Donor's Choose- see how can we help report
2. Sign-up Genius- see teacher appreciation report
3. Parent Involvement Survey- see how can we help report
4. Teacher Lounge- see teacher appreciation report

Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 6:48 pm.

Important Dates

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| 1. Board Meeting | Sept. 22 |
| 2. Parent Teacher Conferences | Sept. 24 & 25 |
| 3. Fall Break | Oct. 19-23 |