

Hoover PTA Meeting
Wednesday, September 28, 2022 @ 6:30pm
Meeting Minutes

PRESENT: Jennifer Boal (President), Megan Criswell (1st Vice Pres), Nicole Giehll (Second Vice Pres), Marie Knupp (Historian), Heather Geisler (Treasurer), Tara Lavy, Carissa Monaco, MArissa Joyce, Becki Campanaro, Jamie Purupati, Emily Nicholson, David Horton, Angela Nelson, Rachel Gawlas, Dana DiCello, Amanda Benedict, Jeremy Heckman, Anthony M. Puzzini, Olivia Frye, Stephanie Pentland, Chelsea Farrell

Start Time: 6:31 pm

I. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance *Jennifer Boal*

II. Approval of Minutes *Jennifer Boal*

Motion to approve: Christina B; Second – Becky C

III. Correspondence *Heather Geisler – Picked up bank statements and reimbursement requests.*

IV. Executive Committee Reports

A. President *Jennifer Boal – Thank you to all for Fall family night. Picture day this Friday. Playground playdates in September. PTA presidents met with Dr. Irvine; report the technology 1:1 has been smooth for most people. Charging and how to manage devices moving forward. New ELA curriculum, PTA has helped with storage devices.*

B. 2nd Vice President *Dr. Nicci Giehll & Public Safety Officer*

a. Gratitude – *Thank you for the PTA providing staff breakfast before the start of school. Welcomed kindergarten families with coffee and Kleenex. Teachers are receptive and thankful for the reimbursement funds. Thank you parents for filling out forms for completing the release for students to attend the playdate.*

b. Upcoming Events – *This week is safety week, each day dedicated to a*

different safety protocol. Monday is the evacuation drill to temple Emanuel, rain or shine. Office Brian Henley was invited to the meeting, unable to join us tonight. Diamond Doodle coming back this year. Fifth graders trained on the safe to say app.

C. 1st Vice President *Megan Criswell* – at 100 families, which is about half of the school. 14 teachers and staff.

D. Treasurer *Heather Geisler* – dues, if you know anyone that needs financial assistance we will take care of the fees for those so they can be a member.

Presentation of the 22-23 Budget – *increased a few lines such as luncheons or breakfasts, added playdate and coffee and Kleenex. Added playground equipment line. Talked previously about erecting a shade structure, readathon money will be allocated to the shade structure. Jenn and Heather will work with the district to get it done. Dr. Giehl did mention this to the board, they are supportive of it.* [Note: possibly no paypal fees for read-a-thon vs. budgeted amount]

Motion to approve: vote to approve in the next meeting.

E. Secretary *Ashley Hauck* – absent

F. Historian *Marie Knupp* – Will correspond with chairs of events that have already happened.

G. Follow ups from last meeting – N/A

V. Committee Reports

A. PTA Audit for 2021-2022

Notes from Audit Committee: Stephanie Spier, Sara Bianco, and Ryan Bianco completed the audit for the 2021-2022 term. They all found the records to be accurate and correct. Sara Bianco returned the binder to Heather Geisler and also sent the audit forms to Mary Hess from the Pennsylvania PTA. Mary confirmed receipt and acknowledged completion of the audit.

B. Library Committee (Amanda Benedict) – Nothing to report

C. Spirit Wear Sale (Shannon Harpst) We are at 27 orders as of today! There are 17 visitors who have items in their cart but have not completed the process so let's hope those are potential orders. The system will send a reminder email to them that they have items in their cart. We will be sending a QA on Friday to remind families. Every sale people will see orders being delivered and kids wearing new stuff and will say when was the sale? Can I still order? Unfortunately, once the store closes (Monday am) we can not take any more orders. Items are custom ordered / printed and we don't order extras.

D. Bake Sale (Kara Trant) Nov. 8th (Election Day) 7am-3pm + There will be a

sign up genius link coming out soon requesting baked goods and asking for volunteers to man the table in 2hr shifts. Donations will be dropped off at Kara's house the day before and she will package and price items.

E. 5th Grade Activities (Stacy Brett Davern) -

F. Corporate Rewards (Anthony Puzzeni) – Box Tops – Scan just receipt – to call out in the next newsletter.

G. Homeroom Coordinators (Jennifer Boal) – Have someone for every class but PM kindergarten. Every parent that asks to do a party gets to do a party. Jenn shared the parent participation form.

H. Hoover 5K (Shannon Harpst) Lauren and I are excited to have new helpers on board this year – Erin Nath for website help and Jennifer Agnew as part of the team. We are always welcome to more help with the planning! This will be the 10th year of the race! Sponsorship and attendance has grown each year with last year being our biggest turnout yet with 276 registrations. Our goal was 250! There are over 6 months of planning behind the scenes. Day of help is much needed. On the course and at the start and finish lines – both students and adults. This year's date is Saturday June 3rd. Please reach out if you can help in any way! Need volunteers

I. Relay for Life (Shannon Harpst) Hoover Elementary has been a part of the Relay for Life event here in LEBO for at least 10 years. In the past we had a strong team presence both with fundraising and at the actual event at the High School Stadium. Raising over \$3000 as a team and attending other team fundraisers and walking the track – all contributing to the fight against cancer. Our team color is orange in support of when Kyle, a Hoover student, was diagnosed with cancer. We supported him and his family by selling t-shirts and wristbands. We are happy to say he is now doing well and graduated last year! But the fight continues ... Relay for Life is not a race... it's a way to show that cancer doesn't stop and neither does our fight, hence the 15 hour event. Day of is a combination of opening ceremony, activities such as live music, games, raffle baskets, items for sale, inflatables, food trucks, celebration of survivors, support of those in treatment and our caregivers... and remembering those who have lost the battle. Need volunteers

J. Kids of Steel (Shannon Harpst) What is KOS? It is the Kids of Steel program associated with the Pittsburgh Marathon. A way for us to get our kids active and aware of nutrition. Over 100 teams participate in the program at their school and Hoover is one of them! Last year we had over 100 students participate in the 1 mile race downtown. At Hoover we hold 30 minute morning workouts once a week starting in March that consists of a running warm up, stretches, drills, and games! Here is the link if you are interested in learning more about the program. Parent volunteers are needed!!

K. Read a Thon – Coming up Start on October 14th. Everything done through the read-a-thon website. Log all minutes there and donations go there. Each student gets a unique link to share with people to contribute.

L. Holiday shop – Call for volunteers now. December 8-9th

M. OOTM – will have a primary team k-2 and 3-5th. Team problem solving competition. Teams of 5-7 students. Will be a weekly Commitment middle of October to middle of march. Strong commitment needed.

- N. Plant Sale – Fall fundraiser for gift cards to Bednars in Cecil.
- O. Pre-ordered supplies – Need to get feelers on participation. This also allows the PTA to get extra kits so that no kid goes without supplies. Plus angel fund.

VI. Open Topics for Discussion – Field trips Dr. Giehl gathering info on field trips. Challenge is scheduling enough school buses.

Jenn Boal - Going to be doing a Moe's fundraiser – preorder a dinner box. 12 tortillas, meats, everything you need for \$40 feeds 4-6 people. PTA gets \$10 per box. October 12th pickup will be here at 4:00pm at the school. Warm when you get it.

Becky – What is everyone's feedback on schoology?

VII. Adjournment at **8:21 pm**

Motion to adjourn: Christina B; Second – Becky C