

## **Agenda 7.29.25**

### **I. Call To Order**

### **II. Approval of Minutes (Apr 14, 2025) - Secretary post on HMS website (scott.heeke@lps53.org)**

- Katie will email Scott updated minutes, meeting dates for the year, and new officers

### **III. Reports**

#### **A. Principal- Dr. Allegri**

#### **B. Treasurer- Chelsea Brotherton/Amanda Schuier**

#### **C. Membership - Becky Neth**

##### **1. Back to School membership drive for teachers - Aug 12**

###### **a) Provide breakfast from HyVee - delivered at 7:15 am**

- Bagels, cream cheese, and a fruit tray will be delivered and paid for by check. Chelsea and Alisha will shop for additional items (sodas, waters, yogurt cups and cutlery) and deliver to school on Monday, Aug 11. Emily and Katie will meet the delivery and set up breakfast items in the Design Lab.

###### **b) Have spirit wear options & sign teachers up**

- Emily and Katie will receive checks/money
- QR code needs to be updated in Cheddar Up

##### **2. Welcome Letter - Becky needs "By the Numbers" image from Emily**

#### **D. Holiday Mart - Alisha Heise**

- Booth costs are \$100 this year (up from \$75 previous year)
- Applications are coming in now and will have another summer meeting to discuss further (booths, layout, etc)
- Items needing to be replaced were discussed with the budget. Items include banners, balloon arch, new signage, selfie props, and snow for Santa (and air compressor?)
- Introduced idea implementing more student led booths at a discounted price.
- Briefly discussed Business sponsorship through booths/student booths

#### **E. VP Committees - Chelsea Brotherton ( more to be discussed next meeting as duties are being transferred over from Alisha)**

##### **1. Conference Meals**

- Decided to use Meddy's for both conferences. The total was around \$1,200 last time and the staff really enjoyed it.
- It was also decided to not use chipotle again. It was too expensive and they wouldn't accept the check from the district/not tax free.

##### **2. Restaurant nights**

- With the omission of Skate Night (it didn't make any money), we will be adding another restaurant night
- Emily will contact Paige Farmer (friend/coworker of Tamrin) about organizing/heading up restaurant nights this year

##### **3. Field trips**

- It was discussed that field trips from the previous year fell on good dates for each grade and a similar schedule should be used this year. Dates were as follows 6th grade -

Monday 3/3 & Thursday 3/6, 7th grade - Thursday 4/10 & Friday 4/11, and 8th grade - Tuesdays 4/8 & 4/15.

- Joy will book Rush complex and the zoo and PTA will be responsible for booking Royal's stadium.

**4. Staff Appreciation**

- TBD - bring new ideas
- Appreciation banners need to be replaced

**F. President - Emily**

**1. Spirit Wear**

- Spirit wear examples will be available to view at orientation along with free stickers.
- Spirit wear will be available to purchase through the online store beginning on Back to School - Labor Day.
- Link to the store needs to be added on Cheddar Up

**2. By the Numbers - will create image with final budget numbers for year**

**3. Back to School orientation - PTSA to staff. Volunteers**

- Aug 5** - Emily **9-1, 1-5 - Afternoon shift?** (Perhaps Jamie Domeier or Paige Farmer?)
- Aug 6** - Becky **9-1 (would need to leave at 12:30), 1-5 Afternoon shift?** Chelsea
  - Add Welcome Letter to folders

**Additional item:**

1. Ideas for boosting PTA membership with staff. It was suggested that a Thank You postcard be dropped in staff mailboxes or a separate email be sent one month into the new school year (9/25).
2. Boosting membership with families suggestions were to reintroduce the Blitz giveaways. Previous prizes were tickets to Above All, a yearbook, and a Holiday Mart VIP pass. Will discuss further at September meeting.
3. Discussed a 'Wishing Well' with ideas being submitted by staff for their or students benefit. Examples included a new popcorn machine, better smelling soaps or hand sanitizers for the teachers lounge, and personal hygiene products provided to students
4. Dr. Allegri brought up keeping the 8th grade dance in February and would book now.

**VI. Adjourn**