



**Parent Forum  
Meeting Minutes  
February 12, 2018  
Start: 6:07pm End 7:21pm**

8 parents, PF Officers (Kerri O'Boyle, Renee Samuel, Larissa Allspaugh), HGS Staff (Marie George, Maria Rozaiieski, Jeri McNulty, Amy Ryan, Michele Wall, Amanda Conti) were in attendance.

- Approval of January minutes.
- Bingo Recap (Renee Samuel)
  - \$9887 raised (after expenses)— highest to date.
  - Renee will not be continuing in capacity of Fundraising Coordinator next school year. A volunteer is needed to fill her position. She passes on a binder, which outlines the job in detail.
- Family Fun Night (Kerri O'Boyle, in Karen McKeon's absence)
  - Next event: Feb 28th 4-8pm @ Sky Zone Trampoline Park.
  - Discussed possibility of Skate Away for upcoming event. Cost seems prohibitive. Will look into The Rink at Racqueteers instead.
- Father/Daughter Dance (Sandi Brady)
  - To date, 127 attendees. Planning committee has received positive response. Some grandparents are traveling a great distance to attend.
  - Plans made for dj, photographer w/ backdrop, favors for the young ladies attending.
  - The committee members will be covering the volunteer opportunities at the event.

- What's For Dinner?
  - Soup Sale: Soup to be delivered on 2/23. (Orders will continue to be collected before Thursday.) List of soup ingredients has been posted on Facebook.
  - Discussed Revello's Pizza fundraiser, to be orchestrated for next month. Deanna Leo to coordinate. Need to secure a date—possibly 1st week of March. If we order at least 100 trays, they can be delivered to the school. Pizzas would be par-baked. Cost is \$10/pizza. Would charge \$15. (\$5 raised per pizza.)
  
- School Presentation—Olweus Bullying Prevention Program (OBPP) (Maria Rozcieszki)
  - The administration has formed a OBPP Committee, comprised of teachers and staff, who were trained over the summer.
  - The program was developed in 1970 and 1st introduced in 1983 in Norway.
  - This is a systems change program. It involves the entire school, including the parents. The idea is, we engage together to change the norms, with intent for long term effect. To stop bullying takes a team effort.
  - The program will be rolled out to the students next week. Info for the parents will be coming home in folders.
  - During discussion, Maria mentioned the school could still use lunch room volunteers. A SignupGenius can be found on the school website, for those parents/grandparents interested in volunteering during the lunch hour.
  
- Reading Connection (Jeri McNulty)
  - Reading Connection Tips for Reading Success was distributed.
  - Jeri spoke about using poetry to encourage language and reading with our kids.
  
- 2nd Annual Family Fun Run (Joy Riviello)
  - Discussed desire to change location from Nay Aug because of complication of staying off the road. Hoping to move to Lackawanna Heritage Trail. Authority has been contacted—awaiting response.
  - Would like to have race officially timed this year. This would attract more runners from the community. Cost is \$750 for this.
  - Also need police, insurance (\$160) & PA Ambulance (free).
  - Last year charged \$20/adults & \$10 kids.

- Francene Dudziec spoke about assisting with promoting the event. Kristina Grego agreed to design a flyer and save-the-date announcement.
  - Made note: Last year's profits, \$1083, are being held in reserve and are available to cover expenses.
- Future Dance Planning (Round Table Discussion)
  - Discussed possibility of a future dance. 5-8th grades? Whole school?
  - Volunteers would be needed to plan.
  - Decision was made to reach out to Student Counsel for Student Feedback. A survey will be created.
- Treasurers Report (Not presented at meeting—included below)
  - As of 2/22/18: Current Balances: \$23,916.18 future earmarks totaling \$2,082.84 (F/D Dance expenses unknown). Anticipated balance \$21,833.34.