Huntington PTA Council

January 2013 Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order by Bari Fehrs, Council President, at 9:55 AM on January 8th, 2013.

Welcome, Pledge of Allegiance, approval of the minutes from the December 2012 meeting.

**President’s report and announcements:** Ms. Fehrs announced to all that she will be meeting with all units to regroup and see what needs to be redirected for the second half of year. Many activities had to be cancelled due to hurricane Sandy and this may affect unit budgets. She commended all PTA’s for their efforts in collections for Sandy.

Primary blood drives will be scheduled in the primaries for the early part of next year.

Shared Decision Committee’s Dignity for all students act meeting will take place January 8th. This was a reschedule from October.

Winter workshops - Suffolk region February 7th. All units have monies budgeted for workshops. Two people from every unit should attend. Very informative, crucial information pertinent to all PTA’s. Fees are $10. pp or $25 per unit.

Realtor open house was nicely attended. 30 Realtors were given a tour of HHS and learned about various programs offered to our students. Feedback from those that attended was positive. Next years’ open house will most likely consist of one realtor day and one parent day.

Upon review of estimates for a budget banner, PTA Council may have enough money in the budget without need for a fundraiser.

**Superintendents’ report:** Budget postcards will arrive to every household with the dates for upcoming meetings. The board is looking to maintain programs and teachers. Topics under consideration are Woodhull modules, busing and maintenance of all programs.

Mr. Polansky gave STEM school updates. An intention of interest letter went out to families of students in grades 1-4. This was not a commitment letter but merely to assess interest.

Security issues were discussed. Mr. Polansky and the schools resource officer walked through every building to assess each buildings security practices as well as gather a sense of what can be further improved upon. Intercoms and cameras are being looked into for each building. Mr. Polansky is planning to visit all schools to discuss safety issues, policies and concerns with parents.

**Treasurers’ report:** One check written for $175.00 for refreshments for realtor open house.

**Unit reports:** Reports of current events at each school are submitted by the council delegates and are on file with the Council Secretary.

**District Reports:** BOE- K registration postcards will be sent out earlier this year (January 1st)

HFEE tickets still available. Contact Laurene Napurano.

AIE- John Engemann theatre still working with PTA for fundraising.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m. The next meeting is February 5, 2013 at 9:45 a.m. Heritage Museum at HHS.