

## GHS PTA MEETING MINUTES

September 12, 2013

Germantown High School, Room 193, 6:30 p.m.

In attendance: Cindy Eichstaedt, Denise Seegert, Patti Chapman, Kristie Kurtenbach, Jill North, Ann-Marie Knueppel, Lisa Ash

1. Meeting called to order at 6:42 p.m.
2. Welcomed new member Ann-Marie Knueppel.
3. Reading and approval of minutes. Motion by Lisa Ash, second by Patti Chapman.
4. Treasurer's report: Membership expense of \$76.75 is for the purchase of new stamp for membership dues envelopes included in student registration mailing. Balance in account is \$1153.19
5. Membership report: 166 paid members currently. \$1220.10 in membership dues deposited on Aug. 29. Additional \$145.00 to be deposited. All paid members on email and yahoo account. System allows emails to be sent to specific committee members.
6. Correspondences: Germantown Scholarship Donation Request received for \$ for Adirondack chair. Will be paid, as is line item in PTA budget.
7. New Business:
  - a. Discussion in regards to dues. Currently \$10 individual, \$15 family. Proposed \$10 individual, \$18 family or drop family have only \$10 individual memberships. Tabled discussion for future meeting.
  - b. Discussion in regards to structure. PTA vs. PTSA. When Bylaws reviewed in 2015 will revisit discussion. Could restructure as PTSA or PTO. If PTO would have to apply for 501C3.
  - c. Present proposed budget includes expenditure for Movie License. Done by population of school. Already tweaked to reflect low usage and high population of GHS. Exempt if educational use. Part of structure. Avoid law suit by maintaining license. \$1864 for Gtown school district. \$309 per school. Filtered through area council. Needs to be discussed at area council. High school would like to be exempted. 5-7 years ago was addressed at area council. Kristie to look through past secretary's notes to find notes of discussion at high school PTA meeting.
  - d. On-line registration – Justin Baumgartner at District office got form done on Google Docs. Step 9 on online registration. Online Registration closes on 09/13.
  - e. School directory – Opt in or out of directory added to registration. Only PTA members will be in directory. Will not publish student directory. Not sufficient numbers to do so. Ideal would online directory.
  - f. Reflections chair, Karin McCullum, not present at meeting. Tabled until next month.
  - g. Shoe/Coat/Purse Check – Oct. 5 Homecoming Dance volunteers needed. Cindy Eichstaedt will email request to PTA members.

- h. Post Prom Update – Mark Starr, hypnotist, booked for Post Prom 2014. Planning committee for event will begin meeting in January. Grant writing for funding for event will begin in November. Shari Rodriguez slated to chair Post Prom Committee.
- 8. Fund Raising:
  - a. Dress Resale Event – will have event. Discuss details at next PTA meeting.
  - b. Concessions – Homecoming Dance. Cindy will email request to PTA members for volunteers. March 1, 2014 Basketball play-off game scheduled for PTA.
- 9. School/District News:
  - a. Budget Hearing & Annual Meeting, September 23, 2013. 6:30 p.m. – Budget Hearing 7:30 p.m. – Annual Meeting. Tax Levy going down 1.1%.
- 10. Upcoming school events:
  - a. Freshman tailgate – Sept. 20, 5-6:30 p.m.
  - b. Homecoming Week, “Nautical Night” theme.
  - c. High School Adding AP Chemistry, Economics, and Music Theory.
  - d. PTA Volunteers needed on 09/17 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 to distribute student IDs. Cindy will email request to PTA members for volunteers.
- 11. Additional Item – Discussion in regards to use of PTA’s non-profit no. by other school organizations. Grid Iron, Hoops, Band have 501C3 and can’t let other groups use. Booster Club not a 501C3. PTA uses National PTA, but can’t let other school groups use. Not the purpose of PTA.
- 12. Next Meeting – October 10, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.
- 13. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.