Grandview Heights High School PTO Minutes

May 8, 2019

6:30 pm; GHHS Staff Lounge

***In attendance***:

Laura Swanson, President

Kim Rowland, Vice President

Susan Jagers, Treasurer

Gretchen Jeffries Everett, Secretary

Dot Keil, Staff Appreciation

Robert Brown, Principal

1. Welcome
   1. Laura called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.
2. Minutes of the Feb 13 Meeting
   1. Kim moved to accept the minutes of the February meeting. Gretchen seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Principal’s Update
   1. The feedback Principal Brown has from the kids is that they are excited for After Prom.
   2. Principal Brown spoke with Athletic Director Brad Bertani and Superintendent Andy Culp regarding teams purchasing spiritwear and sent a survey to the coaches. Some coaches aren’t aware of the benefits/process of spiritwear through PTO. Principal Brown said we can present during coaches meetings on the benefits of spiritwear through PTO. We can also ask Brad to tell new hire coaches about PTO spiritwear options.
   3. Security cameras are now in a few of the halls as a pilot program. Eventually they will be in other areas if staff likes them. The cameras were helpful in connection with the recent senior prank.
   4. We are not going to proceed with Global Scholars.
   5. Principal Brown’s “wish list” to tackle next year:
      1. Balancing different options (curriculum) outside of college bound (e.g. career center, military)
      2. MTSS needs shored up (Multi-tiered systems of support)
      3. Capstone project opportunities
      4. Re-evaluate final exams
   6. Final exams are May 20 – 23, GHHS PTO will provide snacks one day.
4. Treasurer’s Report
   1. Went over P&L sheet (February – May 7) and March Balance Sheet
   2. State of Devotion still owes us for spiritwear sales from December through April. Jim has emailed us about the outstanding amount owed and asked to follow up on the topics we discussed at last meeting.
5. After Prom & Spring Fling Update – Analisa Trares sent in report
   1. Committee:  Analisa Trares, Amy Day, Nicole DeVere, Julie Freeman.
   2. Spring Fling was fantastic despite the fact that ticket sales were down this year – 84 attendees (last year was 122 attendees).
   3. After Prom committee has raised $2,650.
6. Spirit Wear – Adriann Hayes
   1. Adriann asked that we link the spiritwear website to the PTO Facebook.
   2. Volunteers for 2019-2020. Joann Taylor, Mary Ionno, Kathy Greer are onboard.
7. Staff Appreciation
   1. Committee:  Dot Keil, Heidi Card, Jenn Sami, Jane Miller
   2. Staff Appreciation Lunch was very successful. Dot got volunteers to help decorate and it went really well.
   3. Dot will use remaining funds to do something nice on the teacher work day. Laura recommended Sock Hop Soda Shop.
   4. Dot will distribute the Grandview coasters to the staff before the end of the school year.
8. Bricks  - no update
   1. Committee:  Kim Herlihy
   2. Kim would like us to send something out about the bricks in an end of year communication
9. Requests for Donations
   1. None
10. Unfinished Business
    1. We received information on Jeni’s Splendid Ice Cream social options.
11. New Business
    1. Communications
       1. We need to step up more robust communications. Laura is working on Jana Chordas to be a communications officer.
    2. 2019-2020 Slate of Officers
       1. Dot moved to have existing officers continue for 2019-20 school year. Gretchen seconded. Motion passed. Susan would like to start training the new treasurer (for 2020-2021 board) early next school year.
    3. Volunteer appreciation.
       1. We agreed that we want to do a volunteer appreciation event and that we can set money aside for it. Laura will put a list of volunteers together to invite. Dot volunteered to create the invitations.

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.

Next meeting: TBD