

## Heritage Middle School PTSA

### Meeting Minutes for September 13, 2011

Call to Order: President Lauren Hoffman called the meeting to order at 5:10 pm.

Nine people were in attendance. They were Lauren Hoffman, Trish Garrison, Robin Pryfogle, Rocky Sanguinetti, Joe Kacsandi, Tracie Beber, Patty Kray, Keri Loth, and Karen Spiller.

Minutes were approved as submitted. Rocky Sanguinetti gave the first motion with a second by Robin Pryfogle.

**Principal's Report:** Staff and students are adjusting to the new schedule. Class sizes have increased this school year and still trying to balance out classes. There are an increased number of students in Special Education and lots of inclusion students. Some classes have two teachers.

There are less study halls this year and thus less planning periods for the teachers. More outside work for staff. There is more class instruction time though. An extra ten minutes per class per day. All 6<sup>th</sup> graders have a Study Hall.

The Magazine Sale starts up next week. Patty Kray will be the Magazine Sales Chair for PTSA.

There was a Renaissance event for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders on Friday, 9/9, to reward students for their performance for 4<sup>th</sup> quarter last year. Students enjoyed pizza, pop, and dessert. During SSR and lunch that day, the 6<sup>th</sup> graders were introduced to the Renaissance program.

Any student can be part of Renaissance. They can be rewarded based upon good grades, good behavior and/or good attendance. 55% of students are in Renaissance. 59% of the students have a 3.0 or higher GPA.

Mr. Kacsandi went over the Heritage Performance Index levels. We want to increase the number of kids who are proficient and the number of kids who are advanced. Heritage saw growth increases of over 4% for both areas.

Mr. Kacsandi will check into a 6<sup>th</sup> grade event for the last Husky home football game at Westerville North on October 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Treasurer's Report:** \$1585.08 has been deposited into our account from the Fall Bookfair. The deposit for Spiritwear and the School Store is \$927.50 so far. On 8/9, Karen and Lauren went to the bank to move \$1000.00 from the PTSA checking account to an interest bearing savings account. This will allow us to make money while still having the flexibility of accessing funds as needed. More memberships and Book Fair monies to be processed. Patty Kray and Keri Loth have stepped up to serve as Co-Treasurers for the PTSA this year. \$527 worth of Spiritwear was sold at Curriculum Night.

**Bookfair:** Income from the Fall Bookfair was \$2817.32. Heritage has earned \$704 profit from the sale. Over \$400 is also available for the purchase of books for the Library.

**Socials:** We will have the Social Comm. Chairs contact Mr. Kacsandi to start planning for the year's student socials. The plan is for there to be two socials for the 6<sup>th</sup> graders. One in the Fall and one in the Spring. There will be one social for the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders. It was discussed that the 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> event be held in the evening while the 6<sup>th</sup> grade events will be after school. "Too Cool for School" was a theme that was mentioned. Over 40 parents volunteered to help with school socials. Amy Whalen is the Chair.

**Orange Leaf Yogurt:** There will be two fundraising dates with Orange Leaf Yogurt. They are Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup> and Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. Twenty percent of total sales will go to Heritage.

**Reflections:** Rocky Sanguinetti is chairing Reflections. She is working with Mrs. Pellington and Mrs. Konik on Reflections. She is still waiting for some information and clarification from Allison DeNijs, Westerville Parent Council, on dates and deadlines. Will check with her and get back to us with entry deadline dates.

School conferences will be held at the end of October on Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup> in the evening and during the day on Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup>. There will be no classes for students on October 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. Renaissance will be holding a Bake Sale during conferences. The Curriculum Night bake sale raised \$400 for Renaissance so they will be holding another one for conferences.

PTSA will not provide a meal for staff during conferences. It has been requested that we provide snacks, especially Oreos.

The PTSA meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm. The next meeting is Tuesday, October 11, 2011 at 5:00 pm.

Minutes submitted by Lauren Hoffman for Kandi Murdock, Secretary.