

Hornsby Middle School PTSA General Membership Minutes

18 May 2020 at 7:00pm (Via Zoom Meeting)

1. Call to Order (Adrienne Tropilo): at 7:08 pm.

2. We have Quorum. Those in attendance are listed at the end of the minutes due to the Virtual meeting (19 total).

3. Welcome and President's Report (Adrienne Tropilo):
 - a. Election of next years head board: President - Adrienne Tropilo, Vice President – Alisa Smith, Treasurer – Cindy Carlson, Secretary Kiersten Murphy
 - b. Bi Laws adopted: Motion to Approve (Stephanie Trogden), Second (Dr. Ellison)

4. Vice President Report (Alisa Smith): Thanked everyone for a great year.

5. Treasure Report (Cindy Carlson): Due to COVID, budget will roll over to next year. March Treasurer report is posted on PTSA Website. Will need a new Hawk hike chair, 6th grade (Anita Ellis retiring) and 7th grade representative (Mr. Dawson leaving).

6. Secretary Report (Jacky San Miguel): N/A

7. Principal's Report (Dr. Ellison): Small handful of students have not completed any at home school work. Each family was contacted personally. Yearbook final draft is still pending approval, can pay to have them shipped to house. Pass/numeric grades for Algebra 1, Geometry, year long World Language she recommends taking the numeric grade if you have a C or higher. Budget cuts for next year at 10% are better than predicted, still looking into options for teachers, students, cleaning, bus routes and sports with possible continuation of virtual classes in the fall.

8. Committee Reports: N/A due to COVID)

9. New Business:
 - a. Budget Cuts for next year: Currently at 10% but not 100% sure yet what will be cut. Looking for parents to voice their options and prioritize list of possible cuts that are being considered by the schoolboard. PTSA will write a fill in the blank form/memo that families can use and submit prior to the School Board Voting on June 9th.

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- b. Can emergency funds be utilized for COVID despite it not being a natural disaster such as a Hurricane? – Up to the school board
- c. MAPS testing was brought up to debate if it is a necessary tool to use to “place” students in specific curriculum levels. The test cost \$370K + \$110K per students. Could teachers determine placement vs paying this contract? – MAPS is heavily used to place students.
- d. How can parents/PTSA help? Funds? Rearranging classrooms to meet new requirements? Stressed we are here to help if needed.
- e. Next Year School Environment? Online, half online/half within classrooms, school bus routes shared? Less teachers/less pay? When will they determine/announce the structure for next year -Won't know until the school board decides based on governor and CDC guidelines.

10. Unfinished Business: N/A

11. Next Meeting: TBD, General Membership Meeting. May offer simultaneous in person/ Zoom meeting as an option for future meetings due to increased participation.

12. Adjourn: at 8:15 pm

Attendees: No sign in roster due to Virtual Zoom Meeting

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| 1. Addrienne Tropillo | 8. Bia Marcondes | 15. Kimmy Lawrence |
| 2. Alisa Smith | 9. Michael Contakes | 16. Kathleen Swayne |
| 3. Cindy Carlson | 10. Stephanie Trogdon | 17. Matthew Sanderson |
| 4. Jacky San Miguel | 11. Robin Bennet | 18. Sara Lane |
| 5. Dr. Ellison | 12. Kristen Murphie | 19. Rebekah Wester (logged
on after picture was taken) |
| 6. Trish Poulson | 13. Jane Yatzeck | |
| 7. Anita Ellis | 14. Colleen Shivers | |

