

AHS PTSA Meeting
November 15th, 2017
Meeting start: 7:04pm

Attendees: Lesley Harrison, Kelly Williams, Beth Donohue, Christine Lent, Paula Wrafter, Sandhya Gates, Nicole Hepler, Jana Fusco, christine Longwell, Jenn Nilsen, Jessica Gomez, Howard Poole, Brian Hogaboom

A quorum was present.

President's Report

- A motion was made to increase the Harlem Wizards expense line on the budget by Nicole Hepler and seconded by Christine Longwell. The motion was passed.
- Melissa Erlebacher has sent an email asking for feedback on the district website, as they are looking at changing it.

Secretary's Report – Lesley Harrison

A motion to pass the minutes, as presented, was made by Christine Lent and seconded by Paula Wrafter. Motion passed

Treasurer's Report – Sylvia Mazzelli

No report, Sylvia Mazzelli was absent due to illness

House of 2021 – Mr Hogaboom

- The first social was very well attended, over 130 signed up to attend and about 100 students attended on the day.
- The first grading period grades are now on parent portal.
- Are planning a trip in December to the Hudson Valley Food Bank.
- Are adopting a family through the Spirit of Giving.
- Looking to recognize Freshmen for being outstanding admirals

House of 2020 – Mr Hogaboom

- 70 students came to goodness and games event
- Safe Halloween was a huge hit, the office was decorated with bats hanging from the ceiling
- Field trip being planned for Project Hope
- Have also adopted a family through the Spirit of Giving

House of 2019 – Mr Hogaboom

- The Small Schools Committee is organizing baking cookies for Veterans.
- They are also planning an after school pancake and movie fundraiser.
- They are looking to recognize outstanding admirals
- The Junior planning year involves conversations about the college process and parents are encouraged to attend these guidance conversations.

House of 2018 – Ms Nilson

- The college application process is in full force now, having already passed a few deadlines. The early decisions will be out in December.
- They have a Giving Tree, on which hats, scarves and gloves can be donated.
- Seniors in the city is on December 15th. There are a few seats open still.
- They are looking to recognize outstanding admirals
- Mr Arlington is on December 8th
- Some yearbook deadlines have passed already, such as senior quotes.
- The list of deadlines is on the website.
- Caps and gowns packet can be picked up from the house office. Jostens will be coming multiple times to measure. You can also do it on Jostens.com
- Lots of colleges have visiting information on Naviance, and parents can see which schools their children are interested in.
- Scholarship deadlines are approaching, the information is also on Naviance.

PTSA Council Report – Christine Lent:

- This year's NYS PTA conference is in Niagara, and there will be a focus on PTA laws and rules. They also hold many seminars.

- Sister Act, the fall production, just ended
- The Marching Band won the state championship
- Lots of sports teams are doing well
- Edline will be moving to a new platform and there will be a questionnaire about the most desired features
- Tomorrow the Arlington Education Foundation has their restaurant fundraiser.

Stop and Shop A+ Rewards – Christine Lent

We have about 300 participants, up from 291

Harlem Wizards

- Tickets sales are about 520 tickets, which increased when the wizards visited the schools
- Have lots of corporate sponsors
- Have some faculty participants but we still need adult volunteers

Membership

We currently have 238 members, our goal is 260 members

MS&T Fair

- Is on march 3rd
- New email – mstfair@gmail.com
- Currently have 11 AHS students signed up, last year there was 30
- Looking at increasing signups

Spirit Wear – Kelly Williams

- The next sale is December 11-15th
- Taking pre-orders until Tuesday

Reflections – Leslie Lugo

The awards ceremony is on December 8th at 6pm, at LMS

Next Meeting: January 17th 2018

Respectfully submitted, Lesley Harrison, Secretary

Approved: as modified date