

Hillsborough Elementary School Home and School Association June 2017 Meeting 6/7/2017

Erika Marini, HSA President, opened the meeting at 7pm.

Dr. Jorden Schiff, Superintendent of Schools, Hillsborough Township School District

Dr. Schiff presented on the water testing that was done in all schools in Hillsborough. NJ Legislature requires annual testing of every outlet someone can drink from. If the threshold of 15.5 ppB (lead) is exceeded, then it is required to fix the outlet and retest to ensure it is within the accepted limits. There were only a few outlets that did not pass in Hillsborough Elementary School. The outlets that did not pass were remediated and retested. Dr. Schiff stated that all outlets that failed the testing would be remediated and fixed during the summer prior to the 2017-2018 school year.

Additionally, Dr. Schiff presented portions of his "Strategic Plan" for the Hillsborough Township School District. The four areas he discussed were:

1. Achievement Gaps-striving to eliminate disproportionality within the district
2. Early Childhood Education/Intervention- Preschool for all, Full-day Kindergarten
3. Stress Anxiety and Mental Health-Ensure student life is high quality
4. College and Career Readiness-Make sure our graduates are prepared for college/careers

4th Grade Day

Lauren Porter reported that 4th Grade Day went very well. The kids had a great day, and the parent volunteers were wonderful in helping make this event such a success. This event went over-budget, however, magnets are still being sold to cover some more of the extra costs.

Budget Vote

The HSA budget was voted on and passed for the 2017-2018 school year.

Class Parties

The end of school year class parties are scheduled to take place on 6/16/17. There were some questions regarding the timing, and whether class parents would be given early access to the classroom for set-up of the parties. Ms. Eckstein addressed this and stated that she would do the best she could to get the class parents access to the classroom on time for set-up.

Roller Skating Night

Mrs. Hopson has set the date for the HES Roller Skating Night for 9/22/17. There was an e-mail sent out to all HES parents so they could "save the date" since it is so close to the beginning of the school year. Registration forms will be sent home the first week of school.

Field Day

Field Day 2017 was held indoors due to inclement weather. The kids had a wonderful time and it was a great event (despite the weather). The committee went over-budget on food, there will be an increased budget for food for next year. Since Field Day was held indoors, the Tug-of-war event was not able to be done that day. It has been scheduled for 6/13/2017 at 1:30pm. Parents will be invited to arrive at 1:15pm to watch if they are interested.

There was some discussion regarding the possibility of having a "Rain Date" for future years instead of moving it inside if there is inclement weather. Mrs. Eckstein suggested speaking with Mrs. Rutz to see if this is possible.

School Supplies for 2017-2018 School Year

Order forms have been sent home with all current HES Students. Orders are due on 6/23/2017. At the time of this meeting, there were only about 30 orders in, however, that number is expected to increase before the deadline. These supplies will be delivered directly to HES, and placed in the child's classroom in time for the Open House on 9/6/2017.

Open Board Positions for 2017-2018

There are two open board positions for the HSA, Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary. Danni Olney volunteered to serve as Corresponding Secretary, and was voted and accepted at this meeting.

Open Chair Positions 2017-2018

There continue to be several open chair positions for the 2017-2018 school year. Please look at the existing list, and consider volunteering if available. This list will be updated again in the Fall during our Membership Drive.

Spirit Days 2017-2018

Mrs. Rutz schedules these days, and we will reach out to her this summer to see if she can provide a list for next year.

Erika Marini, President of the HSA, closed the meeting at 8:30pm

Minutes Submitted by:



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