

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

- Approval of [minutes](#) from September 20th, 2023
- Next PTA meeting is November 29, 2023 at 6:30pm in LRC

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Bank Balance as of 10/25/23 \$30,245.55 (Outstanding checks \$114.00 bringing balance to \$30,131.55)
 - Last month's income \$2440.91
 - Last month's expenses \$1573.54
 - On track to be on budget
 - Member fees, dues and corporate fees have been paid out.
 - There haven't been many teacher expenses yet paid.
- 2021 Taxes
 - Our 2021 Federal Taxes were not approved. In February 2023 a letter was sent to an incorrect address to notify the PTA of the matter. This letter was only received last week.
 - The taxes were filed on paper, but can be filed digitally.
 - Angie reached out to a local accountant to help in the matter. She is hoping to submit with no issue.

PRINCIPALS REPORT:

- Assistant Principal Kelly Novotny also attended the meeting.
- Herrick's athletic conference will soon be dissolving so Dr. Norman hopes to be moving to SDEAA. This game conference includes all of the district 99 feeder schools. 11/16 schools are located within 6 miles of Herrick.
 - This may offer additional sports to students. The School Board must approve an increased budget and gymnasium renovations must be complete for this to happen.
- Parent Hub was demonstrated to the meeting. There are links to newsletters, handbooks, as well as "how to access" sites such as PushCoin. Also, teachers have updated information on where to find missing assignments and test dates. Parent Hub is a button on the weekly newsletter and will be available on the website.
- A question was asked about whether parents can access Google Classroom. Mrs. Novotny explained that parents must use students' log in to enter. There is no direct access for family members.
- Dr. Norman said that the school is preparing for construction and grateful for

community support.

PRESIDENT & PRESIDENT-ELECT:

- Recap of council meeting from 9/27
- HMS received Illinois PTA Gold membership award
 - We currently have 277 members
 - PTA dues are due soon. Directory Spot will only be available to members beginning 11/1/23.
 - There will be no Author Fest for Middle Schools.
 - Mail Chip/E-blast will be sent monthly
 - 8th Grade Fortnightly will be chaired by Monika & Swapna. They will be meeting with last years' chairs to plan the event.
 - Monika asked if there will be a budget. It was explained that the event is self-funded.
 - The dates offered will not work with the planned school musical.
 - A volunteer Sign Up Genius and more details to come.

VP -OPERATIONS:

- 7th Grade VIP Day 11/21/
 - 4-5 volunteers will be needed to host the event (photo wall, coffee, check in)
- Fall Conference Snacks
 - Teachers loved the Conference snacks. Will offer again at Spring Conferences.
 - Dr. Russell said that the teachers love the new Kureig machine

VP FUNDRAISING:

- Gia Mia Dine Out Update - raised \$233.60
- Potential Events
 - The Color Run cannot be held at Herrick due to construction. The committee will look into other options.
 - Dr. Russell explained that the PTA cannot sell lunch snacks due to the contract with food service. Susan asked if we can sell breakfast snacks before school.
 - Ladies Day Out raised \$190.00
 - Sweatshirt Sales- 20 have been sold. Please share the link to buy with Herrick parents and parents in feeder elementary schools.
 - Parents Night Out will be pushed to January/February.
 - The next Gia Mia dine out will be held 2/13/24 and Fundraising is working with Outpost to offer more dine outs.

TEACHER REPRESENTATIVES REPORT:

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NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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ADJOURNMENT

7:28 PM