

**High Tech High Mesa Parent Association  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, March 20, 2019 - 8:45 a.m.**

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Meeting came to order at 8:47 a.m.

**ACTION ITEMS**

- 1. Approval of February PA meeting minutes:** Kevin Olenick made a motion to approve the February HTHM PA minutes. Kim Knox seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
  
- 2. Vote to approve revised HTHM PA Bylaws:** Jessica Roman made a motion to approve the revised HTHM PA Bylaws. Carolyn Anderson and Joanna Gastelum seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
  
- 3. Vote to approve budget for Logo Wear:** Amy Bridges made a motion that logo wear be funded up to \$1,000. Carl Meuser seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

- 1. Senate/ASB Report – Alaina:** The HTHM Senate/ASB is working on the following: April 27 incoming 2019-2020 student Welcome Reception, Immersion Week, Jaimee/Tully exhibition, College Day and Shadow Week for new students.
  
- 2. Director's Report - Brett Peterson:** Brett updated the PA on planning for the next school year including admissions, tour requests by accepted families, construction, hiring and the hiring process, Immersion Week, and date changes for Breakfast with Brett (B&B).
  - April B&B is cancelled;
  - May B&B is moved from May 10 to May 17 and will be a meet & greet with HTHM's college advisor; and

- June B&B will stay on June 14 with an opportunity to meet new staff for the 2019-2020 school year.)

a. **Thunder/Lightning Round** – each person present had the opportunity to give short, specific feedback to Brett regarding any aspect of the school.

**3. Treasurer Report - Lisa Meuser:** A check was presented to Brett as a donation to HTHM from the HTHM PA for \$2500 to help fund 2019 Immersion Week. Brett expressed his gratitude to the PA and he is able to donate \$25 per student for the activities that week.

Lisa reported that Mesa Founders' Fiesta brought in \$4,141 and will net around \$3,500 once all expenses are accounted for. Included in expenses is \$85.81 in credit card fees and \$738.83 in expenses.

Lisa asked the PA to think about year-end decisions regarding our balance, including extra donations to the school or how much we want to keep in reserves. The discussion was tabled until we see how logo wear sales do in the coming weeks.

**4. Web update - Kim Knox:** Kim is updating the website with Brett's B&B changes and adding the newly approved HTHM PA Bylaws and the most recent HTHM PA meeting minutes.

**5. Communications Report - Sharon for Elizabeth Carey:** The April newsletter is postponed to mid-month due to Spring Break. The May newsletter will go out as planned. Sharon asked parents to send any updates that should be in the newsletter to the HTHM PA email.

**6. President Report - Sharon Mayer:**

a. **New Family Orientation 4/27/19** – Sharon is requesting at least 5 parent volunteers to greet new families and answer questions at 9:30 am at the HTHM sponsored event.

**7. Logo Wear - Larry Salazar:** Larry reported that the PA has been given the go ahead to spearhead logo wear production and sales by Kyle Linnick. Larry has received proofs and a quote for embroidered zip hoodies and hats. There was a discussion regarding the best way to sell the items and pricing. Logo wear will not be counted on as a fundraiser per se, but as a community building endeavor with a small profit. After discussion there was a vote to fund the initial order of items to be sold to our HTHM current families and to sell at the April 27 New Family Orientation (see Action Item 3 above).

There was an additional discussion regarding founding student t-shirts. Some students would like long sleeved t-shirts. Larry is going to get the pricing on these. It was discussed to offer these t-shirts for a low price to our founding students and provide some scholarship opportunities as needed. This discussion was tabled until Larry receives the price quote.

**8. New Business:** Jessica Roman suggested that the PA hold another gala event or fundraiser to help fund College Day. There was a discussion regarding the number of current fundraising by classes and projects, the difficulty in asking parents to support another PA gala event, the advisory driven fundraising efforts for College Day and the fact that HTHM has communicated to students that every student can go on the trip regardless of their ability to pay or fundraise. It was decided not to hold another gala event or PA sponsored College Day fundraiser.

Kevin Olenick suggested that PA look into a virtual jogathon as another fundraising venue. Amy Bridges mentioned that the HTH Village uses Network for Good for fundraising and that another PA has had success.

**Please note:** The next HTHM PA meeting is Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in Brett's office. Please note the new time.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

**Attendees:**

Amy Bridges  
Carolyn Anderson  
Kim Knox  
Gaby Parsons  
Kevin Olenick  
Samantha Olenick  
Rob Pruzinsky  
Jessica Roman  
Carl Meuser  
Lisa Meuser  
Joanna Gastelum  
Larry Salazar  
Geoff Walton  
Brett Peterson  
Kelly Martin

Submitted by Amy Bridges, HTHM PA Secretary