High Tech High Mesa Parent Association Meeting Minutes Wednesday, June 5, 2019 - 8:45 a.m.

Meeting called to order at 8:49 a.m.

WELCOME, Introductions and Announcements:

This is our LAST PA meeting of the 2018/19 school year!

ACTION ITEMS

- **1. Approval of May PA meeting minutes:** Loren Herrera made a motion to approve the May meeting minutes. Carolyn Anderson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2. Vote for PA Board Members for 2019/2020 School Year: Loren Herrera presented the slate for the 2019/2020 HTHM PA Executive Board of Directors. There was a vote via raising of hands and the slate was approved unanimously.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Student Senate/ASB Update - Alaina Roman: The Student Senate/ASB is helping new teachers get set up and helping existing teachers move to the new space; Alaina is sharing a document for parent suggestions for a ribbon cutting ceremony in August; Beach Day is Friday; Summer Bridge is being planned by students alongside teachers this year; talent show last day of school. Next year – Student Senate/ASB is planning community building, mentoring, schoolwide projects and games for the new school year.

2. Director's Report - Brett Peterson:

<u>Building Update</u>: Staff toured the new building and it is just about ready for August. Finishing touches, such as glass and floors, are

occurring inside the new classroom spaces, and electrical/digital cabling is being worked on next week. Furniture is ordered. Doors will be hung by mid-June. Parking lots and other exterior areas will be worked on as soon as school is over.

<u>Staff Update</u>: The 2019/2020 HTHM staff hiring process is complete. Some new staff members may attend the next Breakfast with Brett.

Public Charter School Grant Fund: This fund allowed HTHM to buy makerspace equipment, laser cutter, HTHM van, initial furniture, etc. at the start of this school year. There was money left in the fund and HTHM received another grant. Brett worked with 2019/2020 staff and purchased another HTHM van, Humanities class sets of books and some chemistry equipment. The Mesa campus currently has four HTHM vans. The Chromebook budget was impacted due to price increases but HTHM will maintain our 1:1 numbers.

Summer: Summer school will be at HTHI. Summer Bridge for incoming students will be at HTHM July 29 to August 2. New teacher Odyssey will be the first week of August and the staff returns mid-August. Brett asked parents to consider how to communicate to new teachers their parent expectations and hopes for the new year. Regarding the Robotics program, the Holy Cows team has had a challenging transition year. There will be a team relaunch in August. Brett has facilities looking at the water and power in the area in front of the gym.

<u>Thunder/Lightning Round</u>: Each parent/guardian present had the opportunity to give Brett short, specific feedback on any aspect of HTHM.

3. President Report - Sharon Mayer

a. Events for the rest of the school year

All School Exhibition 6/6 - taco/drink sales: Taco sales will start at 3:15 p.m. The PA pays \$1.50 per taco. An ask went out to parents for drink donations. Jessica Roman offered to speak with the taco guys on behalf of the PA. The taco guys will arrive by 2:50 p.m. and will provide paper plates, napkins, tacos and cheese quesadillas.

School wide beach day 6/7 - food/drinks/drivers needed: Parents have signed up for driving, food and drinks for beach day. Nya Spivey, Student Senate lead for the event, has done a great job reaching out to parents.

Last day of school 6/20 - treat update: There was a discussion regarding a treat for the last day of school. The group decided on frozen treats so that most dietary restrictions could be met. The treats will be distributed when school is released. A few parents volunteered to help pass them out.

- **b. Looking forward 2019/2020 school year:** Sharon presented the draft PA Fundraising and Event Calendar for the 2019/2020 school year. Brett is reviewing the dates to be sure they coincide with school planning.
- **4. Parliamentarian Report Loren Herrera:** There may be some amendments to the bylaws regarding new chairperson positions in the upcoming school year.

5. Treasurer Report - Lisa Meuser:

Income: Logo wear sales \$145

Founding class t-shirts \$360

Expenses: Advisory Olympics \$95

Teacher Appreciation \$230

Upcoming expenses include the founders t-shirt order final payment. The PA will break even on logo wear.

- **6. Logo Wear Sharon Mayer for Larry Salazar:** Larry ordered 48 founding class t-shirts, which includes a few extras. The shirts should be delivered on June 17.
- 7. Communications Report Elizabeth Carey: Loren Herrera looked into how many families open PA all-school communications, such as the monthly newsletter and the weekly update sent by the PA (This Week at HTHM). Elizabeth reported the results and about 50% of recipients open the communications sent by the PA. Elizabeth is working with the Executive PA Board to determine how best to work with teachers to incorporate more information into the weekly communication next year. The weekly update email is opened more often than the monthly newsletter. Students will be included as recipients in the communications for next school year.
- 8. Web update Sharon Mayer for Kim Knox: no updates
- 9. New Business: no new business

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Attendees:

Jessica Roman
Elizabeth Carey
Lorraine Richards

Carolyn Anderson

Lisa Meuser

Loren Herrera

Kevin Olenick

Samantha Olenick

Beth Townsend

Danielle Michaelis Castillo

Sharon Mayer

Amy Bridges

Baby Medina

Maureen Pierce

Brett Peterson, HTHM Director

Alaina Roman, ASB/Senate Student Representative

Submitted by Amy Bridges, HTHM PA Secretary, on June 5, 2019.

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Items for follow up:

Amy will disseminate the document from ASB/Senate regarding ribbon cutting ceremony in August when she receives it.

HTHM All-School Exhibition, June 6: Lisa will bring cash box and square. Amy will make a menu sign with prices. Sharon will bring a black table cloth and frame for menu sign.

Elizabeth will include HTHM students as recipients in PA communications next school year.

PA Exec Board will work with the school to determine the best way to get pertinent information into the weekly update next school year.

June 20: Sharon will get the frozen treats. Lorraine, Amy, Loren, Sharon and Maureen will help pass them out to students.

Sharon will reach out to Kim Knox to see if she wants to continue her role as Webmaster next year.