

ITHACA HIGH SCHOOL PTA

PTA Meeting, April 6, 2017

Minutes by PTA secretary Carolyn Theodore

The IHS PTA met in the Activities Room with five members in attendance. The meeting included refreshments and was led by PTA president, Vanessa Wagner. The agenda is attached.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM November 1, 2016

Copies of the Nov. 1 minutes were reviewed and had also been emailed in November. Susan Barnett moved to approve the minutes and the motion passed unanimously. The approved minutes will be posted on the PTA website.

BUDGET UPDATE

The Direct Appeal fundraiser was very successful, raising \$1545. The PTA is very appreciative of everyone's contributions and support. Thank you notes are being sent to all contributors.

Total spending for Morning Munch is \$1,100 per year. It brought in \$310 in direct support, and the balance is funded via the PTA general budget. The group discussed how to show the income and expenses in the budget and will update the organizers.

BY-LAWS UPDATE

The IHS PTSA Bylaws haven't been updated since June 2013. We chose a committee to review and update the by-laws and will bring it to a vote at the next general meeting.

PROGRAMMING

- The "Screenagers" program on Growing Up in the Digital Age was further evaluated by PTA and brought to the attention of the school district. We are excited that the program received enthusiastic support and the school district agreed to sponsor a screening at 6pm on May 1 in the Kulp Auditorium as part of the ICSD's community conversations. Students age 10 and up, and their parents and caregivers, are encouraged to attend.
- "Consent is Not Enough" program was held on March 9 and feedback was positive. The attendance could have been higher. The program was recorded and the audio recording may be made available on the PTA website, if appropriate.
- "Getting In" Night is scheduled for April 24 in Kulp Auditorium. The event is open to all high school students, parents and caregivers; juniors are especially encouraged to attend.
- We discussed ways to reach more people and increase attendance, as well as possible future program ideas.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – OPEN POSITIONS FOR NEXT YEAR

A list of open positions was distributed. We chose a nominating committee to identify candidates.

THE WORD

The final Word newsletter will go out with report cards. PTA will include a thank you note for the Direct Appeal. Please let Vanessa know if you suggest other PTA items to include.

NEXT MEETINGS

- The next meeting will be on May 11, possibly to review the school budget and further discuss bylaws changes and future programs.
- The final meeting of the academic year will be held June 8 to elect the new officers.

ATTACHMENTS

- Meeting Agenda

Approved 6/8/17

PTA Association Business Meeting
April 6, 2017
5:30-6:30pm – Activities Room

1. Approve Meeting Minutes from 11/1/16 – 2 minutes
2. Budget Update – 15 minutes
3. By-laws – Review for Revisions – 3 minutes
4. Programs – 15 minutes
 - a. Feedback from 3/9/17 program
 - b. Getting In Night – 4/24/17
 - c. Planning for 5/1/17 – *Screenagers*
 - d. Fall Program – Planning for Success??
 - e. Schedule meeting for May – School Budget Review?
5. Open positions next year – 5 minutes
6. WORD – Submissions from PTA – 3 minutes
7. Open Discussion – 15 minutes
 - a. Course Selection Feedback/Suggestions

MONDAY, MAY 1

6:00PM KULP AUDITORIUM

SCREENAGERS: GROWING UP IN THE DIGITAL AGE

HOSTED BY ICSD AND IHS PTA