



# AGENDA

## Hyde Park School PTO Meeting

September 4, 2019 | 7:00 pm

### BOARD MEMBERS

Ed Paff- President | Jill Schiller- Vice President | Andrew Farwig- Vice Treasurer | Jacquie Purcell- Secretary | Ashley Tolokonsky- Fundraising Chair | Mike Brugh- Athletic Director | Rachel Hebert- Teacher Representative [scribe- J. Purcell]

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### 7:00 Introduction of 2019-2020 Board Members

### 7:05 Principal's Report

- A. Jill Sunderman, Principal: Thank you to the PTO and all parents for the work that was done at the school over the summer
  - a. Library books have been moved to the stage
  - b. The gym was painted and basketball hoops will be added
  - c. The flexible seating initiative was successful and will be enjoyed by the children in their classrooms
- B. Tiffani Wills introduced herself as the new Assistant Principal. She wants parents to know that her door is always open to listen to any challenges and for sharing good news

### 7:10 Summer Review – Ed Paff

- A. Flexible Seating- PTO had a surplus of funds so approximately \$14,000 worth of seating was purchased for the classrooms
- B. Harmony Park- This is the new musical installation at the corner of Edwards/Observatory
  - a. Last year, students designed prototype of the instruments. The PTO went with their vision and found some instruments in a catalog that were purchased
  - b. The Hyde Park Neighborhood Council also contributed funds to make sure that it was ready to go for the beginning of the school year
- C. Expansion Efforts- A letter has been drafted to the CPS Board of Education Student Achievement Committee concerning the need for expansion. HPS is on the agenda at the Student Achievement Committee meeting on September 12<sup>th</sup>. Any updates will be passed on by the PTO.
- D. Spirit Wear- The PTO purchased a spirit wear shirt for every HPS student. These shirts have been sent home. Students and teachers are encouraged to wear Spirit Wear every Friday.

## 7:20 Current Initiatives – Ed Paff

- A. Review of 2019-20 Budget & Vote- Andrew Farwig
  - a. Budget is broadly in line with what was done last year
  - b. HPS has several big fundraisers like Spring Celebration, Read-a-thon, Pumpkin Chuck, and Parent Socials
  - c. Other ways to generate funds include the money earned from Kroger Cards, smile.amazon.com and Box Tops
  - d. Initiatives: Funding field trips (each grade level will be given approximately \$4,000 to help parents and alleviate the cost of field trips), Specials Supplies Fund for all of the Specials teachers, Classroom Set-up Fund
  - e. Those in attendance voted and the budget was approved
  
- B. LSDMC (Local School Decision Making Committee) Election- PTO elects 3 parent representatives to serve
  - a. The first meeting will take place on September 9<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm
  - b. An election with ballot slips took place to fill one vacant slot- Kate Loveland and Paul Seevers were on the ticket
  - c. Whoever is elected will be announced in the PTO weekly blast on Sunday

## 7:30 Committee Reports

- A. Financial Update – Andrew Farwig
  - a. 1<sup>st</sup> grade social was very successful
- B. Fundraising – Ashley Tolokonsky
  - a. Be sure to download the new Box Tops App and add HPS to your Kroger Card
  - b. Socials are filling up- Socials are parent fundraiser parties to build community. So far, they have raised approximately \$4,300
  - c. Pumpkin Chuck details will be coming soon
- C. Extracurriculars – Ed Paff
  - a. Offerings are all up and running
- D. Volunteering – Ed Paff
  - a. The focus at the beginning of the year is on filling room parent positions
  - b. A letter was sent out in Tuesday folders laying out some of the volunteer opportunities
- E. AD Update – Mike Brugh
  - a. Running Club and Volleyball were added last year. Both were so popular that they continued last Spring and again this Fall
  - b. Booster Board created to help fund HPS sports
  - c. Glow Golf event is this weekend (9/6)- the proceeds will go to the Ronald McDonald House in memory of Jen Mangino
  - d. Running Club & Soccer are offered in the Fall and Spring, Basketball is offered in the Winter, Baseball is offered in the Spring
  - e. Games start this weekend
  - f. Home gym for Volleyball is at Silverton Paideia Academy

**7:45 Questions, Comments-** Mark Messerly and Rachel Hebert are serving as the PTO Teacher Representatives for the school year

**8:00 Adjournment**