

General Meeting 11/12

Wednesday, November 12, 2025 6:08 PM

In attendance (board members and HPS staff listed)

- Nick Schuckman, HPS PTO President
- Julie Hamman, HPS PTO Vice President
- John Brannon, HPS PTO Treasurer
- Emily Ricciardi, HPS PTO Vice Treasurer
- Beth Russell, HPS PTO Secretary
- Ed Paff, LSMDC Chair
- Rachel Harrison, HPS PTO Fundraising
- Lance Meister, HPS Athletic Boosters President
- Ms. Woods - Vice Principal

Call to order - Nick Schuckman 6:05 PM

Principal's Report - Jill not in attendance

Current Initiatives - Nick Schuckman

- Chili day for teacher on 11/13
- Aiming for 1 teacher morale booster per month
- Starting to collect Christmas \$\$ for teacher gifts (split equally)
- Library - Nick & Jill to take an intro class and then will be ready for parent volunteers to help catalog.

Guest Speakers - Britni Tudor, Principal - Introduction to Evanston Middle School

- Evanston Middle School - 235 students between 7th and 8th (90 in 7th, 8th from Withdraw)
- Electives: Spanish (IB school), Orchestra, Library, Visual Arts, Phys Ed (career tech course starting in winter 2025 - archery, tennis), and Business Foundations. Curriculum was built in-house by the current teacher. Working on an entrepreneurship project currently.
- Clubs: Math club, gardening, Culture Club, Yearbook, Girls to Women, and sports including girls' flag football

Pumpkin Chuck Recap - Julie Hamman

- Still looking for volunteers for committees and to run it overall for 2026
- Someone noted that they never saw asks for committee go out - do we need to re-consider strategy?

Financial Update - John Brannon

- Pumpkin Chuck overall profit/loss
- General October financials

Fundraising - Rachel Harrison

- Pumpkin Chuck - on goal
- Restaurant nights - tracking above goal
- Read-A-Thon - exceeded goal
- Hosted night tomorrow - coming up
- Athleta event - will need to figure out donations but will get \$25 GC and 30% off

- AR Workshop - 2 different workshops in December
- Spring Celebration
 - o Forming committee ideas that will be coming up soon

Volunteering - Jacquie Purcell - no updates

Ms. Woods

- Thank you for teacher conference snacks & meals, RAT, PC etc.
- Please have your children be prepared for winter weather!
- 11/21 - will be donating Lost & Found
- Raised \$251 for Breast Cancer Month to help students with families going through cancer

Athletics - Lance Meister

- Raised over 5K in gift cards for families in need due to break in SNAP
- Gift Card raffle going on now
- Boosters membership thank you at Fowling Warehouse on 11/9
- Basketball kicked off last week; pre-season tournaments for grades 3-6 are this weekend
- 5th grade girls - first year in Athletic league instead of Rec league

LSDMC - Ed Paff

- Resource Coordinator interviews going on (5 applicants selected for first round of interviews); final interview will be next week
- Next week's meeting will end early due to interview for Resource Coordinator
- HPS One Plan: a living document that Title I schools are required to have; even though we are not Title I, we still have a One Plan
 - o ELA: Goal to increase 3rd grade literacy from 89% to 95% in Ohio State tests
 - o Math: 5th & 6th grade math is the focus

ILT & DEI - no updates

Garden - Mike Murrison

- Signed contract with Wimburg to break ground for landscaping; work will likely be done over holiday break
- Once that is done, there will be a lot of work that can be done from Jan - Mar building raised beds, tables, pergolas
- A group of 6-7 teachers/faculty focused on curriculum/integration into the classroom.

Open Forum

- Teacher morale: don't necessarily have budget lines for it, but can find funds if needed
- 75 teachers, staff, and admin in the building