

Hauser PTO General Meeting

September 02, 2010

Minutes

Hauser's first PTO meeting of the new school.

Meeting called to order **6:05 by President Fran Sitkiewicz**

Principal Report- Principal Berman reported that the school year was off to a great start. Teachers are reporting that the kids are all very nice, polite, and ready to learn. Ms. Berman stated that there are two new paraprofessionals in the building this year, as well as three teachers working on administrative internships, including Katie Kempe, Derek Harvey, and Amanda Johnson. She also introduced Mr. Matthew Muto, a new teacher. Mr. Muto comes to Hauser after some time in Corporate America and a stint student teacher in the Chicago Public School District. He is part of the 7th grade blue team, teaching science and social studies as well as teaching 8th grade science and coaching basketball.

Seventh grade Presentation- Mrs. Carol Byland, 7th grade social studies teacher, gave a presentation on the Springfield trip. She spoke about last year's trip and a few changes being made for this year. This year's trip will take place on Wednesday, October 20 from 6 am – 10 pm. The cost will be \$115/student. This is also the week of Cogat testing, but the school has taken that into account and will make sure that the trip will not interfere with testing. More details on the testing schedule will come closer to the actual date. Also testing will continue into the following week.

President Fran Sitkiewicz – President Sitkiewicz thanked those who worked over the summer on PTO business such as the auditing committee and the budget committee. A special thank you went out to Jane Wilhelm who worked hard on form 1023 to file with the IRS as the last piece of our conversion from a PTA to a PTO. Fran also spoke about the direction that PTO will take this year. Going back to monthly meetings with the PTO conversion being completed will mean that PTO meetings should be shorter and focused more on our work toward programs for students and parents.

Treasurer Report- The budget, presented by Treasurer Jane Wilhelm, also reflects this focus on PTO programs. There is a \$1,000 start-up fund for current school year. No money has been budgeted for philanthropy this year. The budget was accepted by a vote of the membership. Jane also provided a financial activity report.

Magazine drive will be online this year. Historian added (Mary Jo Robling)

Any questions about PTO finances can be directed to Jane.

Motion to approve treasure report by Sheila Daily, seconded by Nancy Catrombrone ;
adopted, submitted and approved – All in favor ... Monthly report submitted for audit

Fran introduced the officers and committee chairs for the school year. For contact information, please see the printed district 96 calendar and the Hauser PTO website.

Reminders were given to turn in directory and PTO volunteer forms. Forms are available on the website. Much PTO communication takes place by Feedblitz and members were reminded to subscribe through the website.

Upcoming activities include the Faculty Music Recital on Wednesday, September 15.

Motion to adjourn by Michelle Hejna and seconded by Carol Barlow. Adjourned **6:55p.m.**