

# Meeting Minutes – 09-10-24 @ 7pm The Black and Gold Room

**Present:** Joanna Petersen, Nehad Leonardson, Lana Johnson, Colleen Carroll, Laurie Wyent, Samantha Maher Sheahan, Helena Lambke, Aggie Astrella, Deana Miron, Julie Sander, Sara Cushing, Trevor Hernandez, Deana Miron, Cynthia Hanson, Nick Chavarria

Welcome to Our New Superintendent - Dr. Michael Lach: He thanked/joked with the booster for coming into "work" and not being paid. He'd love to see how he can help us and though he hasn't been here long is learning every day. He wants to build trust between all those involved and wants to build relationships. One concern is organization, "are we a school district or a district of schools?" and "what do we want to work together to aspire to?" Please be honest and direct with all thoughts and communication! A question was asked about opportunities for Hinsdale South and he said he doesn't know the schools well enough yet, but all kids are capable and he wants to provide more to challenge all students. It was stressed again how we can make sure Hinsdale South voices are heard as we are smaller. We don't want to be Hinsdale Central, as we are different, and want all the positives about Hinsdale South being vocalized as we are a great school too.

#### Officer Reports

- 1. President: Nehad Leonardson
  - a. Committees VP is only open spot
  - b. Board members were added to volunteer list for football games
- 2. Treasurer: Sara Cushing
  - a. Financial updates- good month with \$4500 incoming from merch sales, artisan fair and membership
  - b. Approved treasurer's report (1st laurie/2nd Lana)
- 3. Secretary: Joanna Petersen
  - a. Approved August minutes (1st Sara/ 2nd Deana)

#### Committee Reports

- 1. Membership (Laurie Wyent)
  - a. Our goal is 100- we are at 34 members (7 staff); one of our best money makers so ask friends!

- b. Directory will be up and running next week
- c. There is a discount code for Booster member for spirit wear (10% discount)

## 2. Communications (Lana Johnson)

- a. Booster Buzz will always go out the third Tuesday of each month; Now have the new list so will go out to parents; Send to Lana if there is anything you want to go out
- 3. September Key Dates/Volunteers (Nehad)- more food needed at football game, did not have chick fil a but will next game, more pizza should be ordered as well; Trevor donated the burgers so great money maker!
  - a. 13 Home Football vs. Leyden (2 for each shift still needed!)
  - b. 20 Decorate for Homecoming (the more volunteers the quicker it goes; a committee is needed to form a plan and Helena volunteered
  - c. 27 Home Football vs Willowbrook (3 volunteer spots open)
  - d. 28 Homecoming Dance (chaperones usually teachers, but parents welcome if want to, talk to Nick)
  - e. Merch Sales @ Lunch on Oct 18th, Nov 22nd

## 4. Fundraising

- a. Restaurant Fundraisers Sara Cushing- One a month, 9/11 is Portillos; Will look into Country House, ChiShack, Dairy Queen
- b. Eco Can Clean Lana Johnson-Promotions have started (20% back) for service in October; Will send to community at large
- c. Trivia Night Deana Miron /Lana Johnson- New committee has its first meeting this Monday at noon
- 5. Merchandise Sales (Julie Sanders)- Oct 10th for Parent teacher conferences; New order coming and working on ideas for hats; Looking into Post Prom Fundraiser with sweatshirt sales using Victor E Hornet (one time sale only); Questioned sales at Girls Flag Football?
- 6. Post Prom (Colleen Carroll)
  - a. Artisan Market- Need 2-3 more people to help with marketing, raffle, and advertising. Will be in the fieldhouse. New signage is needed
  - b. Oct 11th is Chili Night/Bake Sale
  - c. Spirit of Chicago is larger boat so need 300, but hope to fill as larger class

7. Updates from Nick Chavarria- Positive Curriculum Night feedback; Pep rally last Friday, fun short event to make up for first day celebration; Victory against HC in girl's flag football; Off campus lunch is up and running, 105 signed up so far; Masquerade theme for Homecoming, food truck dinner included with \$30 ticket; Back in the gym as felt too spread out (fieldhouse for food), will have fans to keep air moving; Next Friday will be a birthday party for Victor E Hornet with cake cutting party during lunches, band will walk him around in AM; Great start to the year so far!

### 8. Old or new business?

a. Parent Network (district wide group to support 504/IEP families) has finalized schedule that will be put in the Booster Buzz

Motion to Adjourn at 7:59

Next Meeting: Tuesday 10/08/24 @ 7pm @ the Black and Gold Room