

**Holmdel High School PTSO**  
**October 13, 2010 Meeting Notes**  
**Rough Draft**

Mary Lou Moramarco called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. The PTSO meeting took place in the HS auditorium. Mary Lou pointed out the fire exits and asked everyone to stand for the pledge of allegiance. Carole Alphonsus made a motion to accept the September minutes. Cindy Spalliero 2<sup>nd</sup>. All approved.

**Presidents Report**

- The Indian Hill School Craft Fair will be held on November 13.
- Red Ribbon Week is scheduled for the last week of October. Contact Kathy Kudish with any questions.
- Mr. **Schillaci** is the new Principal at the Village School.
- Susan McGinty is the interim principal at the Indian Hill School.
- Opening day went well at HHS.
- Sign up for E-Alerts on the HHS website to have specific updates sent directly to your email.
- HHS Back to School Night rescheduled to Thursday October 7 due to inclement weather. Rescheduled date was well attended.
- HHS Teacher’s Tea was held on Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> and was a big success. Special thanks to our hospitality committee.
- Parents of Sophomores Night is October 19.
- Need a liason for Project Graduation and Alliance.
- Community day went well. Our table was well attended. Patrons were encouraged to draw pictures and write letters to Holmdel’s newly adopted U.S troop. Table was in a bad location. Will look into securing a better location next year.

**Officer’s Reports**

**VP Membership** -Victoria Entwistle – 294 members with 34% participation from HHS families. Close to 100% participation for teacher membership.

**VP’s Fundraising** – Roseanne Wriedt and Teri Perez –Annual Fundraising campaign collected \$7,790 to date. TGIF Proceeds Night is Wednesday November 17 from 5p.m. to 9 p.m. Twenty percent of food bill at the Hazlet TGIF on Rt 35 will go directly to the HHS PTSO. Flyer and coupon will follow.

**Treasurer’s Report** – Karin Swan- Karin read the September report.  
Income (membership dues and main fundraiser).....3205.67

Expense (P.O Box rental fees, bank fee and postage).....\$90.00

Bank Balance as of 9/30/2010.....\$5,763.88

- The audit revealed that the books were in excellent condition and they were approved and closed as of August 31, 2010.
- The tax return was prepared and sent out after the audit.

Teri Perez made a motion to accept the September Treasurer's Report. Jill McCracken 2<sup>nd</sup>. All approved.

**Corresponding Secretary** – Cindy Spalliero - No report.

### **Principal's Report**

- Mr. Loughran was absent so Mr. Katz presented the report.
- “Turn It In” program is still a work in progress. Teachers and students are both involved in the learning process. Encourage children to use the program before handing in final drafts for papers. Students can get their password from their teachers.
- Safe Driving Initiative class will take place October 14 at 7pm.. Any student whose birthday is before March 11 must attend this class to be permitted to park in the HHS parking lot.
- Parent Portal is set up and going well. Be aware that teachers grade at different speeds so the portal may not be completely up to date on any given day. Contact the teacher when in doubt.
- Smooth opening at HHS.
- Senior option working out well for all students.
- Thank you to HFEE for the World Language Lab. Staff is trained on the equipment and extremely excited about it.

**Teacher Representative Report** – Jill McCracken -

- Trying to reach 100% membership from teachers.
- Field trip to the Geraldine Dodge Poetry Festival was a success. Children were thrilled.

### **Committee Reports**

**BOE** – Barbara Daly- 14 seniors qualified for the National Merit Scholarship.

**Bake Sales** – Debbie Bohny- 1<sup>st</sup> bake sale October 19

**Booster Liason** – Karen Mansuri –Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month at 7p.m. in the HS library Booster club supports all sports. Regular membership fee is \$15, platinum is \$100.

**Holmdel Alliance** – Need liason - Next meeting Oct 19 at 1p.m in the HS library. Hero's and Cool Kids program is looking for Seniors to speak to 8<sup>th</sup> graders at W.R. Satz school.

**Holmdel Creative Arts Association (HCAA)** – Laurie Fontana - Meetings will be held the first Monday of the month at 9 a.m. Ad Journal is the main fundraiser this year. Contact **Kathy** Sorice or Pam Lynch for more information. 3 camcorders kits were donated to the district for \$975.

**HFEE** – Doreen DeMarco – Language Lab grand opening was last night and went well. Annual Giving Campaign is underway. HFEE has made a pledge to the Village School this year for \$22,000 to construct a science curriculum for their rain gardens.

**Hospitality** – Chris Hazel and Emma Butler – Teacher’s tea went well.

**Newcomers** – Dominique Vitello – Welcomes new families into the district.

**Operation Get out the Vote** - Need a liason.

**Project Graduation** – No liason – Meeting Monday Oct 18 at 7 p.m. in the HS Library.

**Special Projects** – Kim Fleak- No Report

**Student Directory** – Theresa Slade – Validation letters have been sent out. Directory should be distributed 1<sup>st</sup> week of November.

**Sunshine** – Laurie Fontana- No report.

**Website** – Tammy Boyle- Still working on setting this up.

**New Business** –

- Mary Lou proposed that we consider and discuss the criteria for the PTSO scholarships at our next meeting.
- HHS parent has proposed having a “Project Prom” similar to our “Project Graduation”. Mary Lou will gage her interest in heading up this project.

Karin Swan made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mary Mykityshyn 2<sup>nd</sup>. All approved and the meeting was adjourned by 11:00

The next PTSO meeting will be November 8 at 7p.m. in the high school auditorium.

