

## **Heritage Middle School PTA Meeting October 27, 2020**

This meeting was held virtually due to COVID-19

Attendance on the virtual meeting: Terri Sitarek, Lindsay Mitchell, Luke Miles, Caroline Miles, Emily Stumb, Heidi Stuart, Jo Ellen Newhouse, Kim Glenn.

Meeting was called to order by Terri Sitarek at 7:06 pm. Motion was made by Heidi Stuart to approve the minutes from the August meeting. This was seconded by Luke Miles.

Treasurer's Report: current bank balance is \$24,252.05. Heidi spoke about whether we should plan on doing teacher grants this year. Questioned if there are needs at the school. Ms. Newhouse said that we do not have extra money this year from rec games or extra income from the church who rented space. Mr. and Mrs. Miles spoke that faculty would greatly appreciate grants. Plan B teachers would probably use it most. Unsure what the current needs are. Decision was made to start the grant process now and leave it open through February. Will use the forms from last year.

Committee Reports:

Book Fair: online book fair will be held November 9-22. Have tentatively scheduled an in school book fair for March.

Cultural Arts: Thanks for all efforts for the Cultural Arts event. It is scheduled for February. The cultural arts grant has been approved through the United Arts Council. Reggie Harris will be performing "How Martin Climbed the Mountain". This will be a prerecorded virtual performance. The link will be given to teachers to show to students. He will be available to do one live speak with interested teachers.

Equity: Wake County PTA Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee working on Family Engagement. They would like to have a very diversified committee. The Committee will be meeting once per month.

Hospitality: Staff breakfast was provided by Chic-Fil-A on Thursday 9/15. Staff tshirts provided by the HMS PTA were handed out to the staff. THANK YOU to Cara for her help in setting for the staff breakfast and returning the food transport container back to chick fil a.

No Fuss Fundraiser: \$3034 received so far

Rewards Cards: All numbers are entered

Spirit Wear: We have moved the online store to Cheddar Up to include selling spirit wear and collecting reward card info.

Staff Report: Mr. and Mrs. Miles report that the staff appreciates the T-shirts as well as all of the support.

Principal's Report: Trying to ramp up parent communication as to what to expect in Plan B. Office staff are keeping a running list of questions so if there are multiples it can get placed in weekly message. Worked with families who were having issues with Virtual Academy over track out. Trying to reach students who may not be passing.

Next meeting will be held December 1 at 7PM

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM