



**PTO Business Meeting Minutes  
April 19, 2017**

Meeting Called to order at 9:03 am

**Secretary** – Kelly McMahon requested approval of the March 22, 2017 minutes. Motion made to approve the minutes by Mary Henneman and second by Karin Schueler. Motion carried. Minutes approved.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Tanya Andoniadis – The committee chairs were asked to submit a check request form to Tanya whenever requesting services from Quest, so she has a record of that request when she receives the Quest invoice.

**President’s Report**

Sarah Magnesen reported that the Brindley family, in memory of their son of Michael, will be sponsoring a Young Hearts for Life Cardiac screening for every student at Hinsdale Central in September 2017. The cardiac screening will be administered during the gym classes for all students who would like a screening. Dr. Joseph Marek, an Oak Brook resident, is the founder of Young Hearts for Life, for which more information can be found at <http://www.yh4l.org>. The PTO will send out information to the Hinsdale Central families in May. We will need 100 parent volunteers to help administer the EKGs in the Fall.

**Principal’s Report**

Mr. Walsh reported that testing season has started with the SAT being administered for juniors on April 5<sup>th</sup>. The week of April 10<sup>th</sup> the state science assessment tests. AP exams will be administered 5/1 – 5/12, 926 students are taking 2286 AP exams.

Loyola University recently gave the HCHS administration a presentation about their dual credit program from which students would get AP and Loyola University credit. Central is considering for the 2018-2019 school year. Mr. Walsh was asked if there are any current dual credit classes offered at Central. There is a pre-engineering course offered through Moraine Valley Community College.

Dr. Law held a study group on the topic of student stress. The group was made up of 12 Hinsdale Central students, 12 Hinsdale Central staff, social workers, teachers, Hinsdale South students and building administration.

Check in procedures for the PTO coffee on May 5<sup>th</sup> will be improved this year. Parents can enter through the main doors and the pool doors and there may potentially be a third scanner available. Mr. Walsh asked that we encourage parents to arrive early.

The Little Mermaid play is being performing on April 20, 21, and 22, 2017. Prom is at Navy Pier on April 29<sup>th</sup>. Hinsdale Central will be displayed on the Ferris wheel.

The District did a 2017-2018 graduation schedule survey. Since AP exams cannot be moved the current graduation date of 5/18/18 is a problem because there are AP exams the following day. If the graduation was moved to Friday May 25, 2018 the seniors would take final exams along with the rest of the students. This is still being discussed.

The D86 college night is April 20, 2017 at Hinsdale Central. Students of all grade levels are encouraged to attend.

Sarah Magnesen mentioned in inquiry about traffic around the school. Mr. Walsh is open to suggestions.

Title 9 issues – John Rayis had a good meeting with Mr. Walsh and Athletic Director Dan Jones to try to resolve the issues at Central.

Mary Henneman asked if the high school is looking to adjust its start time now that D181 has delayed their start time to 8:25am. Mr. Walsh said a permanent late start is not likely to happen at Hinsdale Central. If the school day started later, the student athletes would be at school too late and after school competition would have to be started later, which other schools would not agree with. The result is students would have to leave school during classes to make a game.

**Committee Reports**

**Book Swap** – Lynn Hare reported that Jessica Hurt provided the book list for 2017-2018. Jessica will be the liaison to the department heads. Lynn made a new instructional video. May 5<sup>th</sup> is the target go live date for Book Swap and Lynn will be sending out a flyer through the PTO eblast.

**Devils Diner** – The final treat of the year will be ice cream for the students in May.



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**D86 Speaker Series** –The final Speaker Series event for the year will be a documentary film entitled *Screenagers: Growing up in the Digital Age*. The screenings will be May 2, 2017, 7:00-9:00 pm and May 3, 2017, 9:30-11:30 am, both at the Community House. A Q&A session with Dr. Ruston, the filmmaker, will be held immediately following the movie screenings.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents Coffee** – Karin Schueler reported that the paper invitations were mailed out to all 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents of the Hinsdale Central feeder schools. Mary Henneman will get the event description added to the HMS and CHMS PTO websites. Kelly McMahon will send the coffee information to the Butler, Westview and Gower Principals for distribution to parents. Any committees that would like to have an information table at the coffee should contact Karin Schueler. Currently the Boosters, Teacher Appreciation, Football, Parent Network and Book Swap will have information tables.

**Families Helping Families** – This is a self-funding committee and Sandy Lagestee is working on her reconciliation report. The committee is requesting donations of prom dresses and accessories. The Social Work department is having a “shopping day” for the girls.

**Insight Collaboration** – This is a self-funding committee. Maureen Claffy a Hinsdale Central Alum and parent created two paintings and donated them to the school. She is selling prints of those paintings as a fund raiser for this committee. The committee is holding a fundraiser in May which is Mental Health Awareness month. The funds collected will be used to fund therapy for students who cannot afford it.

**Parent Network** – On April 6<sup>th</sup> the committee hosted Financially: Your Child with a Disability – Varnet and Singer.

**Reading Rocks** – The committee held the reading marathon. Thank you to parents who provided treats.

**Red Devil Spirit Scholarships** – Ten students have been selected to receive \$1000 scholarships, which will be presented to them at the May 25<sup>th</sup> scholarship presentation.

**Teacher Appreciation** – May 3<sup>rd</sup> the committee will be hosting a dessert buffet for teachers. They are looking for parent volunteers to make/provide treats. Leftover treats will be served at the parent coffee on May 4<sup>th</sup>. The Teacher Appreciation Committee will be having a social gathering for the committee and any interested future members.

**New Business**

**Next Meeting**, Wednesday May 17, 2017 at 9:00 AM

**Conversations:** There will not be a conversations presentation that day.

**Hinsdale Panhellenic** – On May 22, 7:00pm at The Community House, Cyndi Meyers is hosting a meeting for all Senior girls and their parents to share information about sororities and help them with the process of applying to sororities. It will be a 1 hour presentation and a panel of current sorority girls. Packets of information will be provided to the senior girls.

Next D86 BOE meeting is Monday, May 1, 2017, 7 PM at Hinsdale Central High School

**Meeting Adjourned at 9:50 AM**

Respectfully submitted,  
Kelly McMahon, Hinsdale Central PTO Secretary