MEETING NOTES



Hyde Park School PTO Board Meeting

March 12, 2025

Principal's Report - Jill Sunderman

- Student testing is coming up, info coming soon in principal newsletter
- Space is needed for multiple disability units for next year; assessing options
- 6th grade dance coming up on May 2nd
- PTO is helping support the revamp of our current library space in the multipurpose room

Current Initiatives - Jen Eisenstein

- Important Dates:
 - March 24 28th Spring Break
 - o April 11 SPRING CELEBRATION
 - o April 15 & 16 Spring Concerts
 - Teacher appreciation week is May 5-9
 - Field Day May 16
- Daddy Daughter Dance lots of fun and raised \$3500 for the PTO. Thanks to 20th Century Theater for donating the space,
 the OCC for helping to coordinate and all the HPS volunteers who helped work the event!
- Spring Celebration Still need volunteers, sponsors, auction items
 - Special Thank you to Caroline & Lauren
 - Honorable mention to the PTO Exec Team 🙂
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- Field Day Look for signups coming up soon & Need t-shirt sponsor!
- Exec Board Next year Taking nominations for Vice President, Vice Treasurer, Secretary, Fundraising Chair and potential others. Please consider running or encouraging a friend who would be amazing to run!

Committee Reports

- Fundraising Caroline Gregoire
 - o Upcoming Restaurant Nights:
 - Arthurs Wednesday, March 19. All day. 10% of sales for the entire day.
 - Highgrain Brewing Silverton. Wednesday, April 16 10% from 4-10pm.
 - Aladdins. Tuesday, May 13. 10% of all sales for the day. dine in and carry out. mention HPS.
 - o Friday, 4/11 7 11pm Spring Celebration sign up to be a volunteer and buy your tickets! Silent auction items still welcome to be donated!
- Financial Update Chuck/John
 - o Financials are in a good spot
 - o Looking to revamp library space, considering funding options and total expense
- Volunteering Jacquie Purcell

- o Sign up open now for Spring Celebration!
- o Sign ups coming soon for help with:
 - Field Day
 - Teacher/Appreciation Week
- Athletics Jessica Leimbach
 - o Mom prom, 400 people attended, a huge success!
 - o Registration for spring has been strong 381 registrants
 - o Until we get bleachers in gym, Volleyball games will be at CRC east side
 - o 2 hour free clinic for volleyball with Xavier players and coaches info coming soon!
 - o New soccer coordinator starting in fall
 - o Trying to do more clinics from college student athletes
 - o Trying to drive people to the Athletics website
- Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Lavonda Kirkland
 - o February was Black History Month, and our school enjoyed learning about and celebrating Black Cincinnati Heroes, as our 2025 theme! Classes decorated their doors, focusing on various heroes, and younger grades (that don't often travel outside their own hallways) took a "gallery walk" to see doors throughout the school.
 - o Many classrooms, including specials, embraced the Black History Month theme through curriculum and special guests, including a jam session with a member of Bootsy Collins' band, Vice Mayor Jan Michele Lemon-Kearney and Gold medal Olympian, former HPS teacher and CPS Board Member Mary Wineburg.
 - The celebrations culminated in a school-wide assembly with students in the M.O.R.E. program sharing about Black history and others participating in poetry recitations and a choral performance...and even a special musical performance by our Assistant Principal, Ms. Woods and Mrs. Favores. Special guests from NPHC organizations at UC shared about the history of their organizations, how they impact the community, and about the special cultural practices of stepping and strolling.
- LSDMC Ed Paff, Rachel Harrison
 - o 6th graders presented to Oakley and HP community council on garden project
 - o Safety commission came to look at pick up line traffic flow