

## East Hills Parent Association Meeting Minutes

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President, Debra Suleiman, called the April 3, 2019 meeting of the East Hills Parent Association (EHPA) to order at 9:35 a.m. The meeting was held in the Parents' Center. 11 people were in attendance at the meeting including Mr. Horvath, 3 executive board members, and 7 additional parents.

### **Principal's Report: Mr. Horvath**

- Thank you to everyone who visited the Book Fair
- Thurs, 4/4 - Dr. Roy visit/walk-through, will stay about 2 hours, visit new teachers/staff members
- Tues, 4/9 - Full Day of School (changed from 1/2 day)
- Wed, 4/10 - Report Card Distribution - grades are all in by 4/4 @ 9am
- Thurs, 4/11 - Tier 2 Charger Pride Brunch Reward 10am
- Thurs, 4/11 - Band and Band Front Concert at FHS 7pm
- Fri, 4/12 - PSSA Grade Level Assemblies
- Mon, 4/15 - Wed, 4/17 - PSSA ELA Assessment Grades 6, 7, 8 - Assemblies will last approximately 30 minutes, will encourage "best practices" - smart test-taking strategies, structure of test, deescalate nerves
- Mon, 4/15 - Wed, 4/17 - Grade Level Volleyball Tournament Championship Games
- Thurs, 4/18 - 11:35 Dismissal/Teacher In-Service Day
- Fri, 4/19 - Schools Closed
- Mon, 4/22 - Full Day of School
- Tues, 4/23 - 8th Grade visits Freedom High School - Students will tour FHS and BAVTS, spend time exploring, collecting info at sports and activities tables, eat lunch at FHS. (Mr. LaPorta has already visited and spoke with 8th graders about high school, school involvement, block scheduling, transcripts, attendance, etc... He had all students introduce themselves and share their interests.)
  - Mr. Horvath commented that he has been told by many teachers in the last several weeks that the current 8th grade class is "a nice group of kids" moving onto FHS.
- Wed, 4/24 - Orchestra and Band Front Concert at EHMS 7pm
- Mon, 4/29 - Tues, 4/30 - PSSA Math Assessment Grades 6, 7, 8
- Wed, 5/1 - Thurs, 5/2 - PSSA Science Assessment Grade 8
- Fri, 5/3 - All PSSA make-up tests must be completed and shipped out
- Expecting minimal staff turnover this upcoming school year vs. many changes this past year
- Donatelli Fund Walk is coming up May 11th, pre-registration happening now
- End of school year grade level picnics have been scheduled, Sodexo cookouts, paid for with Charger Challenge Funds
- Padcaster has arrived and currently at IT Dept to install apps
- Still looking for a new mascot
- Farewell tickets will be on sale the week of May 13th
- Nice job to students performances at All-City Choir
- Addressed concern about foul language on school buses - bus video is reviewed and kids are held accountable

### **President's Report: Debra Suleiman**

- Reviewed the April Treasurer's Report, current balance is \$17,685.69. A motion to approve was made and seconded, all were in favor.
- A copy of the March meeting minutes were made available at the meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was made and seconded, all were in favor.

## **Committee Reports:**

### **Book Fair - Teri Feldman**

- March Book Fair was successful. Sales totaled \$3,200 (\$200 better than last Spring). Staff used their coupons. Only 2 students signed up for E-wallet. Kelly Burkhart and Jen Porter co-chairing Book Fair next year.

### **PAC (Parent Advisory Committee) - Wendy Simpson**

- About 100 in attendance for the screening of *A Backpack Full of Cash*, a documentary about Charter Schools negative effects on public schools. Very informative and encouraged to be viewed.

### **Hospitality - Lisa Kemp**

- SignUp Genius will be sent out for Staff Appreciation Luncheon dessert and gift card donations. Wendy Simpson working on flower donations.

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### **Old Business:** None

### **New Business:**

- 2019-2020 Executive Board Openings (President, Secretary)
- 2019-2020 Committee vacancies (Hospitality - Patty Scipioni volunteered, PAC - Jess Hancz volunteered)

### **Open Discussion:** None

### **Next Meeting:**

- Wednesday, May 1st, 2019, 9:30 a.m. in the Parent Center, all are welcome

### **Adjournment:**

Debra Suleiman adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted  
Alison Piripavel