

City Honors PTSCO

June 14, 2007

Meeting called to order at 6:40pm

Minutes of last meeting were reviewed and approved.

Treasury Report: Susan Koeppel

Beginning balance as of May 17, 2007 is \$19,023.77. Ending balance is \$16,675.78. There is \$11,390.39 available for disbursements.

Membership brought in \$9890 during 2006-07. PTSCO Auction brought in \$5827.16.

Finance Committee

\$300 was approved for the high school boys rugby team. Also approved was \$1000 to the After Prom committee for prizes.

After Prom Party: Sue Mann Dolce

Prom and after prom party take place tomorrow at the Statler Terrace Room. After prom held from 12 midnight until 2am. Club theme, karaoke style. There will be monetary prizes, and pizza and wings. A raffle for 2 Ipod Nanos will take place and everyone will get tickets.

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Moving Up Day is going smoothly. An award will be given out in honor of Larry Cervi, a former Technology teacher who passed away this year.

Site Based Management Team: Debbie Keresztes

Thanks to PTSCO for funding the SOS tutoring group party at year's end.

Sandy Heaney (grant writer/developer) and Sharon Lomison (teacher/coordinator) were both honored at the party.

A Parent Buddy program will begin next school year to help new parents transition into our City Honors community.

District Parent Coordinating Council: Cathy Critharis

An end of the year celebration was held and they honored Rev. Pointer, who was President for 8 years. Also honored was PS 53 – Best Practices for Fathers Night Out, Food Services staff, Engineering staff, and some teachers.

CHS Foundation: Linda Foley

The Foundation's Party in the Hall held on June 1st was discussed, and once again, a parent volunteer (Sue Zuchlewski) was honored, as well as a teacher (Mahlen Cummins). Many parents, teachers, and CHS community members attended this popular annual event and had a great time. Funds raised will benefit the new library/media center after renovations are completed.

School News: Dr. William Kresse

On Monday, Senator Hillary Clinton will be at CHS to donate trees and announce legislation to benefit urban areas.

Our students enjoyed a special pat on the back at the May 22nd assembly honoring their #8 designation by Newsweek magazine. Surprise guest Tim Russert addressed the students.

The Model C curriculum waiver is tentatively approved for 2008-09.

A full time Mandarin Chinese teacher is approved for next year. We'll expose 5th and 6th graders, and also offer an elective for high schoolers as well as a full Chinese language track. This goes along well with our Middle Years Program. We are also adding 2 AP Psychology high school courses.

During the major renovations of CHS slated to begin June 2008, there was no large school available to accommodate all of our students, so we will be splitting up for two years. The swing schools were discussed for grades 5-8 and for 9-12. There are pros and cons to both schools and sites are tentative pending Board approval. There will hopefully be presentations regarding the renovations and swing schools in the fall.

Some teachers are retiring: Mary Kiefer, Judith Balzer, Floetta Washington, and Adam Gearing (moving out of town).

Maureen England brought up the idea of a Walk A Thon, perhaps in Spring. Portions of the funds raised can go to a community agency, with a majority of the funds raised coming back to CHS. A committee will be formed.

Have a wonderful summer! Good luck to all 2007 grads and their parents. See the other families in September, at school and at the Welcome Picnic!

Minutes submitted by Linda Foley