



HVES PTA
GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2018
HVES GYMNASIUM

1. Welcome Siobhan Carroll, PTA President
 - Mrs. Zolkower called the meeting to order at 7:20. Siobhan welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the year. Siobhan encouraged families to join the PTA.

2. Principal's Report Galit Zolkower, Principal
 - Mrs. Zolkower reported that HVES continues to receive enrollments and now has 415 students, which is considerable given the size of our community.
 - Mrs. Zolkower reported that HVES is eagerly awaiting information from the MCPS Curriculum Office that will be part of Cohort One to pilot the new MCPS elementary school curriculum.
 - Mrs. Zolkower reported that the walkway is under construction. HVES is expected to receive a new HVAC system next summer. HVES is also on the list for construction to create a guided vestibule, as well as cameras. HVES will receive 6-7 cameras and will work with the MCPS security specialists to place the cameras.
 - Mrs. Zolkower reminded families to stop by the office to sign in and receive a visitor sticker when they visit school.

3. Budget Faith Lewis, Treasurer
 - The PTA voted to approve the budget for the year. Faith reported that the PTA is projecting \$30k with expenditures of \$21k, which would create a carryover for next year of \$9k. The PTA voted to approve the budget for the year.

4. Membership Report Jennifer Goodridge, Chair
 - Jenn reported that the PTA has approximately 160 members, and aims to reach a goal of 250 members.

5. Walk to School Day Jana Rhone, Coordinator
 - Jana Rhone reported that Walk to School Day is on October 10. This year there will be multiple routes to the rally point at Wire and Melbourne.

6. McGinty's Night Siobhan Carroll, PTA President

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- Siobhan reported that McGinty’s night is on October 24. Mr. De Grasso’s band will be playing at the event and the PTA will receive a portion of the proceeds.
7. Election Day Bake Sale Soumya Korrapati, Coordinator
- Soumya reported that the Election Day Bake Sale will take place on November 6. Soumya will send out a request for families to contribute baked goods and staff the event.
8. PTA Fall Fundraiser Larrissa Strout, PTA Vice President
- Larrissa explained that the PTA is launching a big fall fundraiser to raise funds for STEM Carts. These carts include toys and games designed to get children building the skills needed to advance in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. The goal is to provide HVES with 12 carts --- 2 carts per grade. Teachers will use the cart at indoor recess to help give students fun and educational activities.
 - Larissa stated that the fall fundraiser also covers the staff appreciation dinner during parent/teacher conferences in November. Any remaining funding for teachers will go toward staff appreciation week in the spring.
 - A parent asked whether the PTA would use some of the budget balance toward the cost of the STEM carts. Siobhan explained that the PTA kept some of the reserve to assist with cash flow management later in the year, when multiple events require large financial outlays before income from the auction and other fundraisers is in the PTA’s account. Siobhan stated that once the PTA sees how much the community provides for the STEM carts, the PTA will consider whether to support the remaining STEM cart supplies with funds from the PTA balance.
9. Staff Appreciation Dinner Lora Elinoff, Coordinator
- The PTA will sponsor a staff appreciation dinner on the evening of parent teacher conferences this fall. The PTA will send out a request for help setting up the dinner later in the fall.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Walk to School Day	Wednesday, October 10th
McGinty’s Night	Wednesday, October 24th
Cultural Events Assembly	Wednesday, October 31st
Election Day Bake Sale	Tuesday, November 6th
Staff Appreciation Dinner	Monday, November 12th

SUCCESSFUL HVES EVENTS

- Back to School Staff Breakfast
- Welcome Gifts to new HVES Staff Members
- Kindergarten Kiss & Cry
- Kindergarten Pizza Party
- Ice Cream Social

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Are you staying connected via the PTA Community Listserv?
Please contact Lyle Tuner at admin@hves-pta.org

Are you a member of the PTA?
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