



HVES PTA  
PLANNING MEETING NOTES DRAFT

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2020  
HVES MEDIA CENTER

Taylor Stager called the meeting to order at 7:17 p.m.

1. **Welcome: Taylor Stager, President**
  - Introductions
2. **By-laws: Caroline Broder, Secretary**
  - The bylaws have been posted and are ready to be voted on 2/4 at the PTA General Membership meeting. The requisite notification has been sent and a copy of the proposed bylaws are available on the PTA board in the lobby.
3. **Treasurer's Report: Jenny Blasdel, Treasurer**
  - \$18,809.36 is the balance
  - We made \$342 off the most recent restaurant night.
  - The Maryland PTA has regulations around gift cards. They cannot be given to staff as individuals from the PTA. This will impact the Sunshine Committee moving forward. Individuals can still give gifts to staff, it just can't come from the PTA.
4. **Advocacy: Board**
  - Sage gave an overview of the most recent boundary analysis meeting. It was overwhelmingly supportive of the analysis. The Kirwan Commission is also a big topic of discussion. It would increase funding overall for schools.
  - CIP testimony: Northwood reps testified at BOE. Highland View is being considered as a community school that would have wrap-around services. More details are needed.
5. **Geography Bowl: Christie Moffatt, Coordinator**
  - GeoBowl, a PTA-sponsored enrichment activity that takes place during school, kicked off on Friday for 3-5<sup>th</sup> grade. Each year the students learn about a new geographic area. Packets have gone home. **More volunteers are needed to help during the lunch study sessions.**
6. **Heart Healthy Dance: Emily Prugar, Coordinator**
  - The Heart Healthy Dance is on Friday, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> from 7-9 p.m. It's a health-related dance that involves healthy snacks and dancing. We have a DJ and a bake sale.

We may look to some healthy options for the sale. WIC will come and have a booth.

**7. Action for Healthy Kids: Lora Elinoff, Vice President**

- We will have a cooking demonstration that might be folded into Spring Carnival, as well as a Family Fitness night. There is additional money with Action for Healthy Kids. A date will be determined later.

**8. Staff Appreciation: Lora Elinoff, Vice President**

- Lora discussed the previous issue with gift cards. Quarterly breakfasts or snacks are being considered for adopted staff.

**9. Dine out / Fundraisers: Jenny Blasdel, Treasurer**

- McGinty's night is planned for tomorrow night. Mod Pizza will be next on Feb. 17

**10. New Business:**

- Faith Lewis discussed the directory. There may be a hybrid paper/electronic version produced this year.
- Taylor discussed the MCPTA's decision to move to the MemberHub system.
- Valentine's Day parties start at 2:30 p.m.
- Nominating committee: Sharron, Mark and Marguerite volunteered and have expressed interest in doing it again.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Geography Bowl Kickoff

Friday, January 10th

McGinty's Night

Wednesday, January 15th

General Meeting

Tuesday, February 4th

Heart Healthy Dance

Friday, February 7th

Mod Pizza Restaurant Night

Monday, February 17th

Planning Meeting

Tuesday, February 18th

Are you staying connected via the PTA Community Listserv?

Please contact Lyle Tuner at [admin@hves-pta.org](mailto:admin@hves-pta.org)

Are you a member of the PTA? Please visit [www.hves.my-pta.org](http://www.hves.my-pta.org) to join!

**Remember to record your volunteer hours in the office or on the PTA website! [www.hves.my-pta.org](http://www.hves.my-pta.org)**