

# **Minutes for the Bradley PTO Meeting February 2, 2009**

**Meeting attendees:** Officers: Tina Hundley (President), Diane Miller (Vice President), Melody Young (Secretary), Carolyn Bowman (Treasurer) Other members in attendance: Principal David Stewart, Leslie VanLaningham, Mary Gossard, Sandy Vidosh, Kristi Morris, Martha Perry, Dara Ickes, Ann-Marie O'Shea, Irene Bell.

**Introductions:** All attendees went around the room and introduced themselves

## **Principal's Report:**

- Construction is going very well.
- New pictures are on the website.
- Today an email for a RFP went out to vendors for school furniture (Loose furnishings)
- They are right in the middle of staffing process, trying to get the right mix of teachers for equality at each school
- Feb 9<sup>th</sup> (Student Ambassador meeting) and 18<sup>th</sup> (Band Parent Meeting) are big meetings.
- Band Director has been named
- All fall coaches have been named
- Thank you to all 3 organizations (PTO, Athletic Boosters, Music Boosters) for having an attitude of working together.
- There will be a total of about 112-115 Staff, Teachers, Custodians at Bradley
- He mentioned that at the end of the staff retreat which is 2 days if we could have a social event with the 3 organizations and staff. (Something like a spaghetti dinner. It will be near the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> of August
- He asked the dept. facilitators what they need from PTO and they aren't ready to answer that yet.
- The decoration budget for the school is small. He asked if the PTO could take on helping with that-An idea was to have a photo/art competition and display the winners throughout the school

## **Mission Statement Discussion**

- The mission statement below was presented to the group  
"Our mission as a PTO is to foster a sense of community among the students, their families and the staff of Hilliard Bradley High School by enhancing education, promoting communication and encouraging involvement by all parties
- A motion to adopt the mission statement was made by Leslie VanLaningham and seconded by Sandy Vidosh. The motion was voted on and passed.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- \$600 was given to the Bradley PTO from the Memorial Middle School Jaguar Sales
- ISPTO donation-At meeting later in February, they **may** give a portion of their GFS rewards account to the Bradley PTO in lieu of getting donations from Darby & Davidson PTO.
- Darby PTO will be giving \$520 to our PTO
- We might ask only MMS PTO and feeder elementarys to donate to our PTO

### **Secretary's Report**

- A motion to approve the January minutes was made by Mary Gossard and seconded by Leslie VanLaningham. It was voted on and passed.
- The Bradley PTO website is under construction and will be updated on a continual basis.

### **Discussion on activities the PTO would like to put on**

- Convocation is August 24<sup>th</sup>. Leslie VanLaningham is the chair of that and is leaning towards a nice bagged lunch for 115 people to cut down on costs. A heavy meal makes them tired in the afternoon
- Kathy Smith would like to chair the Market Day program
- Cartridge donations discussion: partner with kids groups or environmental club and do drives at school events. Use recycle bins
- The idea to have a parents dance with all 3 organizations was brought up. We could play music from the 60's, 70's, 80's and 90's. The Music Boosters could sell the food and make money, the PTO would get the door money and the Athletic Boosters could do a silent auction. The idea was to make it a social event where parents could meet other parents and also have fundraising for all three organizations at the same time.

### **Committees:**

- Cookie Day-Madalein Nikolaus will chair
- Need volunteers for Jag Days to work tables as students pick up their schedules, pay fees, etc
- Hospitality Committee is led by Leslie VanLaningham
- ISPO representative will be Irene Bell
- Other committees to be done are yet TBD (as we get committee chairs we will add activities)

Meeting was adjourned at 8:42pm

Next Meeting will be March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm at Darby High School.