

MINUTES

The Hilliard Darby PTO met on Thursday, March 18, 2010 at the Hilliard Darby Media Center, Hilliard, Ohio. President Karen Norval called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Members Present: *Officers:* PTO President Karen Norval, President-elect Jodi Ransom, Secretary Laurie Nelson, Treasurer Debbie Lomax. *Members:* Ginny Adams, Andi Bell, Joni Carle, Bobbi Hamann. Robyn Howard, Lisa Imwalle, Kathy Prosser, Leslie VanLaningham

Staff Present: Principal Ryan McClure

President Karen Norval welcomed everyone to the meeting. Appropriate introductions were made.

Principal's Report - Ryan McClure

Principal McClure started the meeting with an introduction of the following new hires at Darby: Johnny Ulrey is the new soccer coach and Liz Rundio is the new girls' volleyball coach. Joe Burke will be leaving Darby to become the new Band Director at Heritage and Mike Snyder is now in charge of the musical, Footloose. Staffing will be in place for next year by the third week of April.

Currently, there are 500 seniors leaving Darby, and there are currently 405 juniors enrolled at Darby. There will be 376 incoming freshman, and most classes range between 370 to 390 students.

Students completed the Ohio Graduation Test (OGT) last week. There was an ACT Boot Camp offered to those taking the test. The Athletic Boosters are selling graduation banners.

President's Report – Karen Norval

The School Nurse, Mary Hamm, is still in need of juice boxes and cracker donations for the students. If you are able to donate, please drop the items off at the main office labeled School Nurse. Any donations are appreciated.

Please remember the PTO's "clearinghouse" for used clothing and shoes. If you have any old clothing or shoes you would like to donate, the PTO would greatly appreciate your contributions. Just drop them off at the main office and indicate it is for the PTO "clearinghouse."

If you are interested in recycling your gently used tablecloths, please consider donating it to the PTO. We can use long, square, or round -- in cloth or plastic - and in any color or pattern! Please drop your donations off at the main office.

Secretary's Report – Laurie Nelson

No report. Jodi Ransom moved to accept the minutes as written. Ginny Adams seconded it. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Debbie Lomax

There has not been much activity since the last meeting other than a donation to the Outreach Fund. The liability insurance bond was paid and a hospitality expense. The PTO will pay the \$125.00 donation to the Hilliard Education Foundation this week.

The secretary and treasurer are working on incorporating the PTO. Once Cyber Assistant is in place, the PTO will become an official 501(c)(3) corporation. Cyber Assistant costs \$200.00. Ryan McClure will become the new statutory agent, and he was advised to forward any PTO correspondence to the then President of the PTO. The PTO will also file its e-postcard in order to file its annual statement online. This will also be a future process of the Treasurer's position.

Jodi Ransom made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Kathy Prosser seconded. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Outreach – Karen Norval for Cathy Daniel

The PTO received more donations today, and we have received racks of clothing donated to date. On March 31, 2010, Cathy will be meeting with staff and introducing the Outreach Fund. To access the donation forms, go to the PTO website at www.hilliarddarbypto.com. Click on the Outreach Fund.

As Cathy has a senior in school this year, we are looking for volunteers to make a commitment to take over Cathy's role in the Outreach Fund. If you are interested or want more information, please contact Cathy Daniel at cdaniel5689@sbcglobal.net.

Hospitality – Joni Carle

No report. However, Joni will prepare a recap for the year. In May, we will celebrate with all of those who performed work and provided donations for staff this year. Thank you to all volunteers who assisted Joni with hospitality.

Cookie Day – Jodi Ransom

Cookie Day was great! It is a great tradition. Thanks to Ginny Adams for providing rice krispie treats! The kids love them! Thank you to all of the parents who were so generous in volunteering their time and for baking those wonderful cookies.

Cookie Day is the second Wednesday of each month, including May. Anyone willing to volunteer their time passing out cookies and/or baking cookies is always welcome.

Old Business:

Hilliard Prom Dress Boutique – Leslie VanLaningham

The PTO thanked Leslie VanLaningham and everyone who put together their efforts to present a wonderful experience for the junior and senior students attending Prom. Volunteers indicated it was fabulous to watch the students try on dresses, jewelry, etc. and to watch the "behind the scene" action. The boutique turned out better than originally expected by many. Twelve students assisted with the boutique: five from Darby; four from Davidson; and three from Bradley.

There were 180 dresses donated and 60 students went home with dresses. There were many expensive dresses, shoes, and jewelry. The community gave away 56 prizes that consisted mostly of hair and nail services. The Theatre Department received some leftover dresses and Fairy Godmothers received a donation of 100 dresses.

Great Create - Karen Norval (Prom Discussion)

The PTO is no longer assisting with Pre- and After-Prom this year. The students involved with Prom made the decision to exclude the PTO's assistance with it. The PTO respects the students' decision and wants the students to know that we are here should the students need our assistance. The PTO extends its apology to the members who put in their time and made a commitment to this project.

Adjournment: Bobbi Hamann made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Leslie VanLaningham seconded it. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie A. Nelson
PTO Secretary