

The Mission of the KTS Parents Association is to help enrich the academic and social lives of our students and create a sense of community for KTS Parents, Students, Teachers, Therapists and Staff. KTSPA advocates Parent/Student needs to the greater TLC organization. If you are the parent or guardian of a student at KTS, you are a member of the KTSPA.

Katherine Thomas School PA - Minutes: Wednesday March 5, 2008

Parents Attending: Julie Hunter, Pam Peckinpugh, Karen Beveridge, Shelly Bogasky, Susan Burns, Donna LaTorre, Ginny McDonald, Mary Rill, Ralph Hitchens,

The KTHS PTA met for an hour starting at 8am

- KTHS Game Night
 - Friday, April 11th, 7-9 pm
 - Possibly 7-8 activity stations with Wii, Dance/Dance Revolution, Sumo Suits, basketball, bingo, etc.
 - I will be the coordinator (If you own a Wii, let me know!)

- Staff Appreciation (May)
 - Luncheon at school, parents to provide food
 - Gift Certificates (\$5 or \$10) to Panera or someplace

- Family Fun Night (May)
 - I will be the coordinator
 - May include fundraiser, selling tables to vendors

- Per Rhona Schwartz:
 - There's a modified HSA for special needs students
 - Not sure about ACT prep
 - DORS rep will speak at KTS on 3/13 (next Thursday)
 - KTHS will organize something in the way of "college exposure" for juniors, to include a possible visit to Montgomery College

- Mentoring new KTS parents
 - Get current parent volunteers to participate
 - Set up by end of this school year, implement late summer
 - Possible pot-luck at someone's home, answering questions
- Alternative ways to handle PTA meetings
 - Look into getting a conference call-in capability

I think that's most of it. Anybody else who was there, please weigh in!

Submitted by Ralph Hitchens

General Business Meeting 9am

Procedure for Minutes was established. First, send draft to Julie and Pam so they can fill in missed information and check for accuracy. Second, revise draft and post on the PA webpage (via Jay). Third, after minutes should be posted for at least a week before approval takes place in PA meeting. After approved, the final draft is posted.

Evening Meetings – Since attendance was very low at the evening meeting, it was suggested that the rest of this year's meetings take place in the morning. Evening meetings will again be planned next fall.

Ginny Reviewed the financial report.

Fundraising:

- Karen gave an update on the flower sale and the group commented on flower selections. Ordering of flowers will take place before grandparent's day and will be distributed on grandparent's day.
- Arbonne fundraiser was discussed and further discussion was planned.

Family Fun Night (May 16th) was discussed. Ralph volunteered to coordinate this.

A number of parents discussed concerns/issues which are the result of the current temporary power-sharing management structure in the Lower Middle School. Julie and Mary are going to talk with Rhona about concerns voiced at this meeting. Many if not all of these issues could be expected to resolve with the appointment of a Lower/Middle School Director.

Submitted by Susan Burns