

**MINUTES OF THE HIGHTOWER TRAIL MIDDLE SCHOOL
SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING**

March 19, 2012

The Hightower Trail Middle School Council met on Monday, March 19, 2012, at 8:00am. The meeting was held in the TIPS conference room at the school, 3905 Post Oak Tritt Road, Marietta, Georgia.

School Council Members present: Kirstin Baillie, Donna Flood, Catherine Hackney, Donna Holland, Laura Montgomery, Terri Rittneberg, Gavin Russell, Deirdre Walsh.

School Council Members absent: Dr. Hilda Wilkins, Kathleen Fields, Beth Gibeaut, Rachael Krussel.

The meeting was called to order at 8:09am by Gavin Russell, Chair.

Pledge Of Allegiance

Minutes of Council Meeting, January 2012

The minutes were distributed by email prior to this meeting.

Proposal to accept minutes as a true record.

Nominated: Gavin Russell, seconded: Deirdre Walsh.

PRINCIPALS REPORT

(none)

OLD BUSINESS

Carpool roll out

We have all the signs as ordered from Bone Signs.

Signs at the end of the lane two need to be assembled (Deirdre / Dr. Wilkins will get them assembled with custodial help.)

Bone Signs will take whatever amount we can put toward the signs (close to \$1000). Bone Signs will not give the school an invoice. HTMS Foundation has approved the funds to put toward the signs.

Bone Signs will also put a dedication sign for Paula Cohen outside the Husky Hut.

CARPOOL Start day – April 16

Communicate the change starting next week (before Spring Break)

Use a start date on signs "Starting on...."

"This lane will close starting....."

HNN should talk about where the students can walk between the parking

March – LED signs, Banners, Husky Highlights / website

April – Callout, HNN, Teacher blogs (thru end of April) –Dr. Montgomery

OUTSIDE AREAS

Got proposal from Ecoplay systems for exterior tables, assembled and installed

Forward email and proposal to Dr. Wilkins - KIRSTIN

Send to Foundation with possibility for discussing at the meeting

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Agendas are ordered early May each year, and must have dress code policy listed

Pam Cain will be ordering the agendas in May / Laura Montgomery will be asking when changes need to be submitted

Dress Code / Uniform survey needs to be circulated prior to then

Paper survey distribution with homeroom competition?

Online survey monkey design - GAVIN

Include pictures/descriptions of what the uniform looks like

2012-2013 transitional year? Optional, then in place for 2013-2014

Get PTA involvement in deciding what the uniform looks like- GAVIN

NEW BUSINESS

Elections

Rolling off – Deirdre, Beth G, Gavin R,

Dr. Wilkins to talk to teachers about term length and who will remain on the Council.

Make an effort to reach out to Shallowford Falls, Murdock to recruit

Target first week of May to host elections.

Need date for the cluster Council meeting at Pope – May?

Next HTMS School Council Meeting will be held on FRIDAY, April 13 2012 at 8am

(in preparation for Carpool rollout)

LOCATION: Testing room in Guidance office (Montgomery)

Meeting concluded at 8:53am.