

## Hiteon PTC General Meeting Minutes October 20, 2021

**Present: Kristin Glover, Danielle Kolp, Joni Epstein, Megan Mumford, Stradivari Sibulboro, Ashleigh Hendrick-Horner, Rebecca Kanarek, Lisa Sarver, Jenny Read-Emslie, Allison Belisle, Nancy Henry, Becky Gross, Chris Urdahl, Robin Hassett, Alexandra Reil, Gilbert Reil, Carmen Pfeifer, Kaitlin Alexander-Rider, Kristal Cinque, Qamar**

### Discussion Topics

1. Principal's Report with Assistant Principal Jenny Read-Emslie.
  - a. Thank you to the PTC for supporting teachers during conferences and thank you for ordering Hiteon spirit wear for new staff.
  - b. There is great work we are doing with the Diversity & Inclusion committee in conjunction with the Social Justice committee. We have met once this year and have had good conversations. And out of those conversations, Rebecca from the D&I committee was able to go to Five Oaks Museum and bring the museum to our school as an outdoor art exhibition. This will be outside at the school at the beginning of November for the students and Hiteon community. There is content and curriculum that goes along with it for teachers to share with their classrooms and goes well with tribal history.
  - c. We have had conversations around holidays and how we celebrate them at Hiteon. We were able to talk with the staff and get people to move towards celebrating the season. But, if they are going to do holidays, we ask that they include multiple holidays and not just one specific holiday.
  - d. Hiteon has had a few covid positive cases. However, we are seeing that these cases are from outside Hiteon and there has been no spread within the school. We are confident and happy about that.
  - e. Stamina with the students and staff is almost back to normal. Students are getting back into old routines, teachers too, and it has been great.
2. Budget Update
  - a. Discussion on adding a staff account.
    - i. There is an additional staff member at Hiteon that we were not aware of, Tim Ribner, who is the new social worker. Would like to add one staff account to the budget for him.
    - ii. **Decision: Motion to add a staff account for new social worker, Tim Ribner, at a budget of \$225 for 2021-2022 school year, seconded and approved unanimously.**
3. Dining for Dollars
  - a. Update from D4\$ chair Nancy Henry.
    - i. First D4\$ was yesterday at Mod Pizza. It was busy and steady. Feel optimistic that it was a good first D4\$ event for the school year.
  - b. Goal is to have one D4\$ event a month.
  - c. Next D4\$ will be at Chipotle on 11/17. Details to follow.
4. School supplies with EPI

- a. Discussion on credit earned from school supply kits sale with EPI.
    - i. The \$300 credit can be used towards the purchase of school supplies, poster boards for science fair, or we can just receive a check from the company.
    - ii. There also was \$100 in donations during the sale that was used to purchase school supply kits for 2 Hiteon students.
    - iii. Suggestions for use:
      - 1. Science fair
        - a. If used towards the purchase of poster boards for the science fair, the poster boards will certainly get used by participating students. However, there are still leftover poster boards that can be used as last year's science fair was virtual. Not sure if it will be virtual or in person this year.
      - 2. Rolling fund
        - a. What about keeping the \$300 in a rolling fund and use for school supply kit needs for students in the next school year?
    - iv. Decision: Will discuss further.
5. Book Fair
  - a. Still anticipating a virtual Book Fair this fall. Tentative dates are for the end of October. Details to follow.
6. Pumpkin Decorating Contest
  - a. Virtual pumpkin decorating contest starts next Monday 10/25 thru Monday 11/1. Winners for each grade level will be announced on 11/2 and will receive a \$10 gift card to a local business. Details to follow.
  - b. If you do not have a Facebook account or do not feel comfortable posting on facebook, you can email your student's entry to [president@hiteonptc.org](mailto:president@hiteonptc.org).
  - c. Last year there were 75 participants.
7. Diversity and Inclusion Committee update
  - a. D&I committee is thrilled to have funded the Museum at (Our Place.) i. Five Oaks Museum is the new branding for Washington County Museum which has been closed and continued to be closed during covid pandemic. Five Oaks Museum has taken an exhibit and turned it into an outdoor museum with lawn signs. This comes with curriculum support, social media support, QR code encoded information on the lawn signs so everyone can learn about tribal affiliated artists. The museum hasn't fully integrated with Seesaw app or Spanish language support, but they are quickly working on it. We are excited and looking forward to seeing it!
  - b. Next meeting will be this upcoming Tuesday 10/26 at 6:30PM. Zoom links are posted on the PTC facebook page and on the PTC website.
  - c. Would like to feature Hiteon families and their family traditions and celebrations on a monthly basis in the PTC newsletter. I.e. This month is Filipino American Heritage Month.

- i. Please be in touch if you and your family would like to be featured. You can email [DiversityAndInclusion@hiteonptc.org](mailto:DiversityAndInclusion@hiteonptc.org).
    - d. D&I committee is also planning a Hiteon community cookbook. Will need a team to solicit recipes and create a cookbook pdf over the next couple of years.
- 8. Open Discussion
  - a. Discussion on the Green team with chair Becky Gross.
    - i. Green team applications are ready to go home with 4th and 5th graders for those that are interested in joining.
    - ii. First Zoom meeting will be at the end of November.
    - iii. Green team successfully facilitated silverware now being in the cafeteria for Hiteon students.
      - 1. The Green team put together a slideshow on why it is awesome that Hiteon now has the flatware. They also put together a video on how to take care of the flatware- how to use and put them away so as not to get thrown in the trash. This will be shown to Hiteon students at the upcoming virtual student assembly next Wednesday.

Next General Meeting: Wednesday, November 17 at 7PM