

Meeting Minutes
Homestead Parent Club Meeting
Thursday, November 10, 2017
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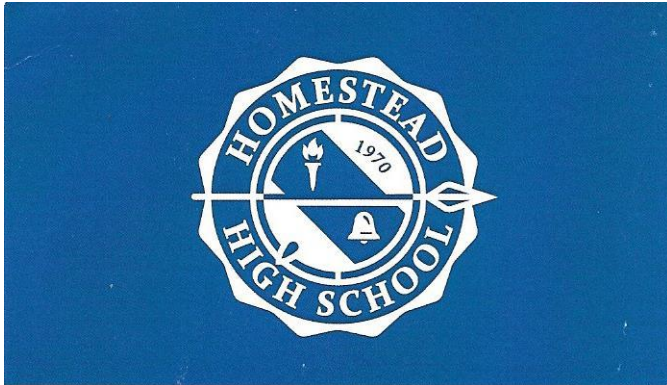
Start time 11:02 am

Present: (10 attendees) Heather Wilcox, HHS Parent Club President; Elizza Wesner, HHS Parent Club Secretary; Tina Keinsley, Vice President, Meagan Milne, Chris Perez, Karen Gilbert, Monica Willits, Tricia Duby, Kelly Hutner, and Cindy Volk.

Welcome by Heather Wilcox, President.

Guest: Park Ginder, Principal, Homestead High School

- There are plans to have an Academic Excellence Success Wall of Fame in the main corridor from door #1 straight down to the cafeteria.
- This will include the phrases "Preparing today's learners for tomorrow's opportunities" and "Earn your cap and tassel".
- A touch screen will have photos of past Valedictorians and Salutatorians.
- This is an \$18, 000.00 project.
- Due to a possible renovation or rebuild of the high school, this project is on hold for the time being.
- The HHS Crest of Academic Excellence looks like this:



- This crest was created by students in partnership with Mr. Ginder and a local art design company. This crest is on Homestead letterhead and business cards.
- Note the tear drop shape at the "G" of HIGH SCHOOL indicating southwest and the spear is a Spartan's weapon.
- The Athletic Excellence Wall of Success will be complete the summer of 2018. That hallway is located inside entrance number four.
- Mr. Ginder talked about a blended learning environment and the Indiana Department of Education's new Pathways to Graduation.
- Mr. Ginder talked about the good things at Homestead:
Champions Together is a collaborative partnership between the Indiana High School Athletic Association and Special Olympics Indiana that promotes servant leadership among student athletes while changing their lives as well as the lives of those with

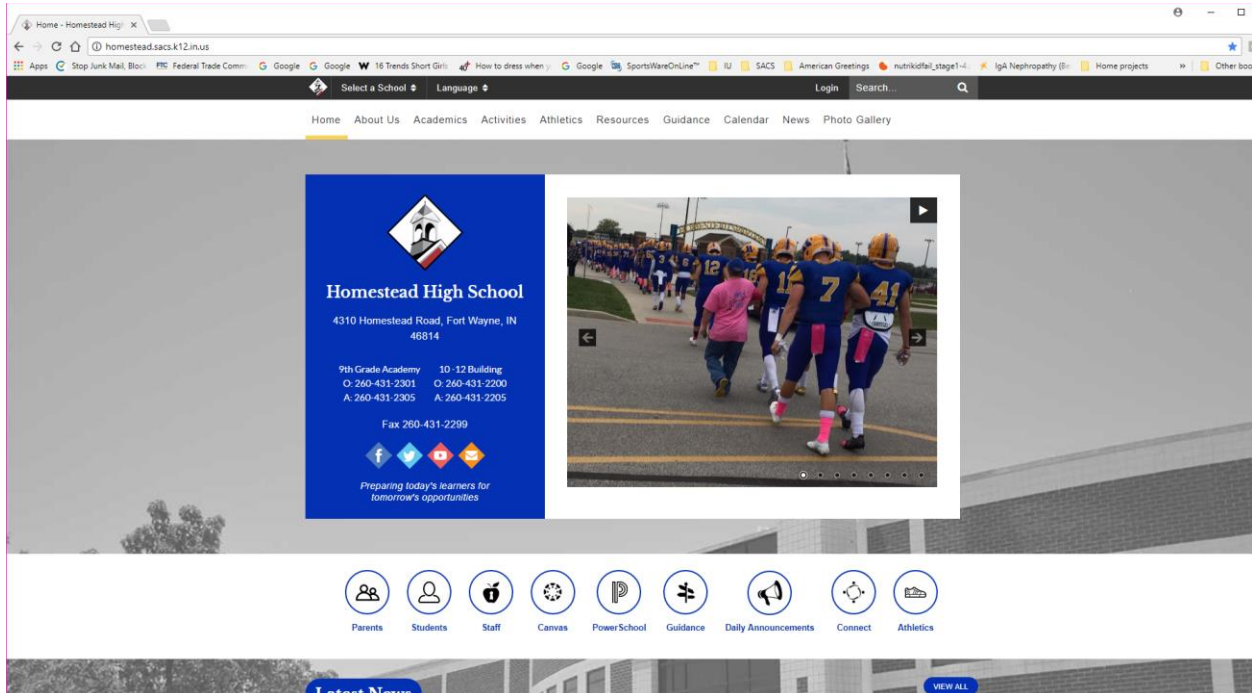
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intellectual disabilities. The photo shows Varsity Football Player, Nik Martin #11, linking arms with Griffin as the team enters the stadium. This can be found on the Homestead HS website.



Business Meeting

- Tina Keinsley, Vice President, lead the discussion on this year's teacher grant requests.
- Tina Keinsley and Jennifer Kennedy, Co-Vice President, met with Mr. Ginder at an earlier date to discuss the grant requests. Several, he indicated, could be taken care of with departmental or school funds.
- After discussion, we approved \$5,653.40 in teacher grants. Meagan Milne moved the motion, all in favor. Monica Willits second the motion.
- Tina and Jennifer will follow up with the grant recipients to discuss the details of grant disbursement.
- Three new-to-the-district moms were present at the meeting. They openly discussed the need for a New Parent/Welcoming Committee to address issues in greater detail. The New Parent Orientation Meeting that currently takes place every August is very brief and covers a broad range of topics.
- We discussed how Spartan Student Ambassadors can play an important role in making a new student feel welcome.
- The Parent Club will meet again Thursday, January 11, 2018 at 11 am in room 100.

Meeting adjourned 1:05 pm