

HFS Home & School Association Minutes
August 18, 2025 4:30pm at Barbacoa in Albany

1. Call to order

A. Prayer - Group

B. Roll Call - Mary Sowada, Angela Rushmeyer, Amy Casey, Kayla Feldewerd

2. Recommended Actions

A. Routine Matters

1. Approval of the Agenda - Amy made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of "approval of the agenda" and "approval of minutes from last meeting". Seconded by Angela. Agenda approved.

2. Approval of the Minutes from April's meeting - Amy made a motion to approve the minutes. Kayla seconded the motion. Minutes approved.

B. Review of the HFS Home & School Fundraising Guidelines - Guidelines and Expectations last updated 8/2022 were reviewed and discussed. There has been an increase in families so the current number of work slots for each family meets the school's needs. Mary will remind families as the school year begins that in order to fulfill a work slot the worker when applicable must be 6th grade or older. Discussed possibly rotating between Seven Dolors children's bazaar games during shifts to break them up, and the possibility of getting community members to participate in the dunk tank rather than just school people.

C. Take Home Folders - Some are tearing. We are unable to order the same ones we had. New ones were ordered for new families in Kindergarten this past year. Will continue to replace for new families. Still see the need to have a separate/unique folder that opens on the top for easy filling by office staff that parents are used to checking.

D. Playground Supervision - Currently families are expected to supervise 3 times during the year. With the increase in families there will be some playground shifts that will have two parents rather than just one. Depending on future needs we can look at increasing the expectation to 4 times per year and have 2 parents to each shift. May designate parents to specific playground areas to ensure the grounds are covered.

E. Approve 2025-2026 Budget - Reviewed past and proposed budget. Clarification needed on some line items. Discussion of putting some funds in a CD to generate interest as we work on prudently drawing down the Home & School balance. We will be transferring funds to the general operating budget for 2025-2026. We want to plan for and be prepared for future needs of the school including repairs, new needs and staff wages/increases.

F. Officer Positions for 2025-2026 - *Angela will move to the President position and Kayla to the Vice President. We will recruit for more members including someone to act as Secretary.*

Other discussion: Getting ready for open house on 8/27/25. There will be informational meetings at 4:30pm and 6pm in the gym due to the renovations happening at the school. Students can still visit classrooms and drop off supplies. Preschool will have their own parent meeting. Discussion about server training and serving for school masses for all students. Currently it is at the parents/student discretion whether or not to participate. Fall Festival planning is going on. Mary will check into having pull tabs as another revenue generator.

3. Future Home & School meeting dates - *TBD depending on new members and availability.*

4. Adjourn - *Angela made a motion to adjourn followed by Kayla at 7:32pm.*

Respectfully submitted by Amy Casey