



**Holly Springs Business Alliance
Meeting Minutes
Holly Springs High School
April 2, 2009**



- I. Meeting called to order:** Jenny Mizelle, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:08 a.m.
- II. Members present:** Cyd Brown, Kim Crawford, Tim Congleton, Gemma Heiges, Jenny Mizelle, Ramey Beavers, Bill Rousseau, Shannon Baker, Brian Pittman, Linda Crandall, Nikia Davis
- III. Approval of Minutes**
Minutes from the February 5, 2009 meeting were approved with changes.
Motion: Tim Congleton
Second: Gemma Heiges
- IV. Steering Committee**
- No report.
- V. Mentor Committee**
- In January only a session between the high school mentors and the middle school mentees took place. Snow created problems for the other (community mentors and high school mentees) session.
 - In February, the community mentors and high school mentees met with Scoop Green and went through the Chamber of Commerce Directory looking for businesses in which students were interested. In March, three business speakers from those selected talked to the students about their companies.
 - Student attendance at the community mentor/high school mentee session in March was low. Students need to be reminded to attend by HSHS staff.
 - At least one lunch sponsor had trouble getting the lunch paid for with Dominos Pizza. Local store employees did not seem to know how to credit the invoice and the address on the invoice for sending in payment was incorrect. We may need to use another eatery next year.
 - Thanks to Congleton-Propes and Holly Ridge Middle School for sponsoring the February lunches.
 - Ms. Davis (HSHS) and Mr. Ellington (HRMS) have scheduled a school tour of the high school for next month's high school mentor/middle school mentee visit. The students will also visit third block classes.
- VI. Student and Career Development Committee**
- The Extra Step Award Subcommittee:
 - Gemma Heiges consulted with Promote This! Eight trophies will run approximately \$250. The trophies should be presented at the Year End Celebration.
 - Gemma Heiges has contacted Dr. Vito about possibly sponsoring all or part of the trophies for the Extra Step Award. She will follow-up with him next week.
 - We need HSHS to identify two teachers and two students to receive the awards.
 - We need HRMS to identify one more teacher and one more student to receive their awards.
 - Website Development
 - Mr. Pittman and Mr. Friend have done an excellent job putting together our new website. More work can be done this summer.
 - Holly Springs High School needs to update their webpage with the new link.

VII. Year End Celebration

- A tentative date of Thursday, May 28, from 4 - 6 was selected for the Year End Celebration. Ms. Davis will let Ms. Mizelle know if that date is satisfactory by the end of the day (4/2/09).
- Once the date is confirmed, Ms. Mizelle will invite Gary Davis, a motivational speaker, to attend and speak at the Celebration.
- This year the event will be held in the cafeteria (common area).
- We will need a microphone (and podium?) for our speaker.
- Mentors, mentees, sponsors, Extra Step Award winners and all Business Alliance members will be invited to attend.

VIII. Discussion

- Dr. Beavers will remain at HSHS until the end of the school year. Although he will not be present every day, this will keep the school from having three principals in one year.
- Jenny Mizelle has been working with Mr. Townley, HSHS Environmental Science teacher, to get a 1700 foot walking trail laid from the bus loop, around the fence and behind the track. Mr. Josh Owens with D.H. Griffin Construction, the construction company working on the new middle school, has agreed to supply trucks, plastic trail material (for base and weed block), and lumber for benches. We can get mulch for free. Ms. Mizelle and Mr. Townley will look at the project next week to determine the number of man hours needed to completely install the trail. Novartis is having their Community Volunteer day on April 23 and work will be done then. The Boy Scouts, the Mayor's Youth Advisory Board and school groups may be contacted to see if they can help.

IX. Meetings

- The next regular meeting of the Holly Springs Business Alliance will be held at 8:00 a.m., Thursday, May 7, at Holly Ridge Middle School.
- April 23, 2009, work on walking trail at HSHS.
- May 28, 2009, 4 - 6 p.m., Year End Celebration at HSHS.

X. Meeting adjourned: 8:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cyd Brown