

# Huntington School Council Meeting

**Date:** Feb. 3, 2015

**Members Present:** B. Braunstein, Mrs. Love, Mr. Heath, Ashley Reynolds, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Ethridge, Mr. Bryant

**Members Absent:** Dr. Taylor

**Call to order:** Braunstein, secretary, called meeting to order

**Reflection:** T. Love - Mrs. Love reminded us of the story of the farmer who grew award-winning corn. He shared his seed with neighboring farmers and was asked why he would share. He replied that he did not want his crop to be influenced by inferior seed when the wind blew in the direction of his fields. We are reminded that in order for us to grow award-winning students, we need to share our knowledge and work together for the benefit of our students.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Braunstein, secretary, led the Pledge of Allegiance

**Approval of Agenda:** Mrs. Braunstein distributed the agenda posted pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.

Moved, seconded, and carried that the school council approve the agenda as presented.

**MOTION:** Heath; **SECOND:** Lee

**VOTE:** YES 10 NO 0

**Approval of Minutes:**

Moved, seconded, and carried that the school council approve the minutes of the Dec. 2, 2014 meeting of the HMS School Council.

**MOTION:** Love; **SECOND:** Etheridge

**VOTE:** YES 10 NO 0

**Visitors:**

Dr. Lee, representing Dr. Taylor, Mr. Jamal Harris, intern

### **Report of Principal:**

Dr. Taylor has drafted a schedule for upcoming EOGs (GMAS).

6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be administered the paper/pencil test April 13-17 with makeups scheduled for April 20-21.

7<sup>th</sup> grade and all special education students 6<sup>th</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> who have passages read to them will be administered the computerized version of the test over a three week period beginning April 14<sup>th</sup>.

GMAS parent night was last Thursday.

Classworks is on the HMS homepage. Follow the parents/students link to Classworks Reading and Classworks Math. Students can complete lessons and work on selected and constructed response questions.

After School Program begins today and will be Tuesday and Thursday each week in February (except for Feb. 17 student holiday). ASP will be three days per week in March for a total of 21 days at the end of the program. This program will focus on students who are in the lowest 25<sup>th</sup> percentile.

Mrs. Reynolds reported that the Braves Team is working toward achieving STEM certification for HMS. On Mondays and Wednesdays in Hawk Time, students are participating in challenging activities and then writing about them. They are using Thinking Maps to organize ideas for writing.

Progress Reports will be sent home with students on February 9.

Dr. Lee reported that the focus now is preparing students for upcoming testing. There will be a Strike Free Celebration at the end of the year, but the details are yet to be determined.

Mr. Bryan asked if there was anything that the Council could do for the school. He also inquired about candy for upcoming tests as well as proctors. Ms. Allen, Parent Coordinator, will be organizing these tasks.

Scoliosis Screening is in March.

**Old Business –**

none

**New Business**

none

**Adjourn:** Motion – Bryan; Second- Love  
Vote: YES 10 NO 0