

Special General Membership Meeting, March 24, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President Laura DeBusk at 8:15am.

Laura thanked all of the PTA members attending the meeting. 11 PTA members were present. Quorum was established.

At the February 20th General Membership meeting, Kammy Hambrick informed the General Membership of two Bylaws changes and a series of changes to the Standing Rules that the Bylaws committee is recommending. Both the Bylaws changes and Standing Rules changes have already been approved by the Executive Board. Now the Executive Board is asking the General Membership to approve the changes.

The following are the recommendations:

The Bylaws Committee recommended that the number of Vice Presidents be reduced from 4 to 3 by removing the VP-Membership from the Executive Committee and adding a Membership Chair to the Executive Board (which will still be voting position). There are two reasons for this change: first, now that the Trailblazer Club is our primary fundraising source and donations include memberships to the PTA; we are reaching our membership goals earlier in the year. Second, the responsibilities of the Membership job have lessened as recordkeeping responsibilities have declined over the year.

As a result of this recommendation, there are two changes that will need to be made to the Bylaws. First, Article VIII, Section 3 will need to be amended to reflect that the PTA will have three vice presidents rather than 4. Second, Article IX, Section 2 will need to be amended to take into account the removal of the 2nd vice president and designate the VP-Ways and Means as the 2nd vice president and VP-Volunteers as the 3rd vice president. Are there any questions? Seeing no questions, the two recommended changes to the bylaws need to be voted on separately.

First, can I have a motion to amend the Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 3 to reflect that the PTA will have three vice presidents rather than 4? Is there a second? I have a motion and a second. Because this is a bylaw change, we require a 2/3 vote of the membership and it must be by a show of hands. All in favor of the motion, please respond by raising your hand now. Are there any opposed? The ayes have it and the motion carries.

Next, can I have a motion to amend the Bylaws, Article IX, Section 2 to take into account the removal of the 2nd vice president and designate the VP-Ways and Means as the 2nd vice president and VP-Volunteers as the 3rd vice president? Is there a second? I have a motion and a second. All in favor, please signify by raising your hands. Are there any opposed? The ayes have it and the motion carries.

In addition to the changes to the Bylaws, the Committee recommended a series of changes to the Standing Rules that govern the Executive Board in order to reflect the changes to the Bylaws and reflect the Executive Board's current practices in a number of areas.

Summary of Recommended Changes to THES PTA Standing Rules is attached.

Now that I have read through the recommended changes to the standing rules, can I have a motion to accept these recommended changes? Do I have a second? Seeing that I have a motion and a second? All

in favor of accepting the recommended changes to the THES PTA Standing Rules, please signify by raising your hand? Any opposed? The ayes have it and the motion carries.

Thank you so much for our time this morning. We are now adjourned.