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Glen Haven Parent Teacher Association  
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## Membership Meeting Minutes

February 7, 2017

### 1. Arrival and Free Pizza Dinner (6:30-7:00)

- Families enjoyed pizza, veggies, fruit, and cookies.

### 2. Approval of Minutes (7:00-7:05)

- Alison Gibson moved to approve the minutes from December's meeting. Sarah Williams seconded the motion. The membership voted unanimously to approve.

### 3. President's Remarks/Announcements (7:05-7:15)

- Thank to parents who planned and staffed the following events:
  - The Staff's Annual Chili Luncheon
  - Our first Spanish Parent Coffee
- A Nominating Committee is needed
  - Sign-up sheet was sent around the room
  - Being in the nominating committee does not exclude you from being on the future board
  - Board Positions were named
- Wendy's Night is on the calendar for February 28<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:30pm. (at Wheaton Plaza)
- Sarah Williams Remark's on Food Drive
  - There will be a food drive to benefit the Glen Haven Food Pantry from March 1-17<sup>th</sup>
  - It will be a competition between each class who can bring in the most items. The winner receives a pizza party on Pi day
  - If you would like to volunteer to help, reach out to Sarah Williams
- **March 7<sup>th</sup> will be a morning PTA meeting from 9:20-10:20am**
  - Mrs. Lucina will talk about how to support literacy at home
  - Help spread the word as it will be the only meeting for the month of March
- Movie Night is scheduled for March 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm
  - Food will be for sale during the event
  - Movie is not yet decided
- Read A Thon will be April 18-28<sup>th</sup>.



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- It will be a fundraiser for the school as well as a competition who can read more books.
- More information to come

#### 4. Budget Update (7:15-7:20)

- Still money to spend in mini grants category
- Box-top Fundraiser has been doing well. Class winners for the most box-tops brought in each month have been awarded popcorn parties. The classes who have won so far are Ms. Manevitz, Ms. Vactor, Ms. Bucknor, Ms. Olson, and Ms. Fox.
- Member suggested we do another Savers Donation Fundraiser.

#### 5. Tips for Talking about the School Day with your Kids (7:20-7:55)

(Presented by Ms. Alison Gibson and Ms. Rebecca Willis)

- Use open ended questions
  - Talk about artwork they have done, their school schedule, themes they are working on, how they have done on class dojo that day
  - Use books as conversation starters
  - Talk at dinner table, along the walk to school, or even when they are stalling at bedtime as they may have more to say
- Model how you talk about your day
- It is important to allow them to talk and be a good listener
  - Let your child teach you something they have learned
  - Pay attention to their body language
- Your children are your eyes and ears at school
  - they are a good resource to get a sense of how school is going
- Examples of questions to ask your child were shared on the slideshow and other links to more questions will be shared on the PTA website.
- The membership played a brainstorming game sharing more ideas with each other for how to talk to your kids about school.

#### 6. Meeting Close (7:55-8:00)

- Next Meeting- March 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:20-10:20am.