October 7, 2015 – 6PM

Friends of Hawthorne PTA General Meeting

Present:  Tim Lohraff, Karen Rosenberg, Josie Clark, Calvin & Ruth Johnson, David & Katie Seawell, Jen Ayers, Carrie Evans, Harold Churchill, Molly Laster, Mary Murry, Katie Welch, LaQuita Hester, Dionne , Karen, Pete Intravartolo, Gabe Sheffer, Sandra Scott, Derek Butcher, Kris Baldassin, Cathy Thompson, Angela Aheald, Marita Grunfeld

Summary of Discussion

Molly Laster provided an overview of the agenda and FOH’s activities, and introductions of 2015-16 PTA officers.  Ms. Scott provided an overview of the school’s various programs and ways in which FOH helps Hawthorne succeed.  Katie Welch provided an overview of garden activities led by FOH volunteers.  Tim Lohraff provided an update about the upcoming walk-a-thon and the need for day-of volunteers (Friday 10/16).  Pete Intravartolo noted that slots are available for some Powerful Schools sessions.  Derek Butcher, who will again lead the annual Hawthorne auction, provided a summary of last year’s gross revenue and gave an impassioned plea for volunteers willing to help put on next year’s event, schedule for April 2nd at the Mt. Baker Community Club.  Mary Murray provided a summary of how last year’s budget compared to projected spending, noting that FOH spent less than expected on certain line items.  Finally, Molly provided a summary of the bell times issue, noting that the initial survey conducted by SPS did not include the 9:40 option that has been proposed for Hawthorne and that most of the affected schools are Title I.

Summary of Voting

Motion to approve modification to budget—adding $3,200 for Artist-in-Residents, Steam Grants, Classroom Supplies, and Field Trips.  Marita Grunfeld moved, Katie Davis seconded, and motion passed unanimously on voice vote.

Motion to approve switching Suzy Large from co-VP to Secretary.  Katie Davis moved, Laquita Hester seconded, and motion passed unanimously on voice vote.

Motion to approval revised FOH standing rules (updated by Tim Lorhaff):  Molly Laster moved, Josie Clark seconded, and motion passed unanimously on voice vote.

Adjourned 7:30PM