

Hometown Action Team Minutes

March 6, 2025

Attendance: Karen Mixdorf, Jeff Shaw, Mark McFate, Dorothy Zmolek, Larry Thomas, Warren Riley, Shelly Riley

Grant update

Lincoln Savings Bank awarded \$5,000. Karen will call Sue Carnahan to set up a time to take a picture to receive a large check. Applied for Mansfield Foundation for 100,000

Also working on grant applications for State Farm, Guernsey Foundation. We are waiting to hear about Black Hawk Gaming grant.

Subcommittees

Alumni team is working to find people who can reach out to others from each graduating class. They have written a letter to contact alumni about our project and how individuals can donate.

Business team will meet Monday, March 10 @ 1:00 to edit letter and discuss how to reach local business for donations.

Social Media

Discussed setting up tables at the school for Parent Teacher Conference evenings this month. It was decided to focus our efforts on subcommittee work and rolling out our fundraising through Facebook, alumni contacts, and businesses.

Karen met with the STC High School Student Council. The sentiment was a class challenge to collect donations at the High School would be well received. It will kick off after prom is over. Aubrey Dolezal from the High School is writing an article for the school news about the project and fundraising efforts. The class that raises the most will have the chance to do something fun like throw a pie at a staff member. The Middle School will host a dance and dodge ball games to raise funds in May.

Karen and Mark have been working on the HAT website. More work needs to be coordinated between them as they work to fix things.

Squarespace app is now available for donations. Karen will keep adding names on the site of those who donate as a thank you and incentive for others.

Facebook-we need someone to update regularly. We can have more than one administrator. Shelly will work on this task.

Tama/Toledo News Chronicle- Shelly will contact Jonathan Meyer to let him know we are ready for him to write an article. He may possibly be home for Spring Break to take some pictures and meet with us.