

PTA Meeting Minutes February 5, 2013

President's report - Kevin -

- Treasurer resigned-effective immediately
- Election next month for Treasurer
- Need new board for next year

Dr. Starr Meeting -

- Donna, Kevin, Michelle - technology infrastructure-Promethean boards & wiring (wireless) will be installed over summer, per conversation with Dr. Starr.
- Cluster - Poolesville, Churchill, Richard Montgomery, Wooten
- Dawn Albert question- treat AG Reserve differently because we are small, our kids shouldn't be penalized. He is looking at holistically – county as a whole.
- We need strong advocacy; resources

Commissioner report - Jerry -

- Off budget year. Will combine hearings for operating and CIP budgets. April 9, 10, 11. Hope to get parents from other clusters with kids at high school testify.

President's report n- Kevin -

- Small town, small community, have an issue, come talk to us

Chris Puraski - Senior Librarian at Poolesville library

- Community outreach
- Story time 2nd and 4th Tuesday of month
- Bookclub 4th Monday of month
- AARP volunteers & paper tax forms
- Access electronic databases, lots of e-books, etc.
- Upgraded catalog, make lists of favorite titles
- New policies beginning President's week - can check 100 items at one time, 20 express DVDs, place 30 items on hold, renew items 3 times.
- Kids can get own library card

Summer carnival committee - Kevin -

- Summer carnival - list planning meeting 2/19 at 2pm
- Kevin & Kathy Bupp
- in staff lounge @ PES.

VP report - Rachel -

- Boosterthon exceeded expectations
- Collections end 2/12
- 2/13 is reconciliation and accounting

Boosterthon - Marilyn -

- Great photos on PES PTA website. Pictures from events, classroom doors, Boosterthon page. So much enthusiasm

VP report - Sandy -

- After school classes going well. Please email suggestions-after school clubs??
- Parents to volunteer to run them
- PTA would pay for ICB

Treasurer - Kevin -

- March PTA - state of PTA financially
- Before Boosterthon-could pay off teacher reimbursements, 5th grade graduation, teacher wish-list
- We get around \$100/month from Amazon from shopping
- Restaurant nights have done really well.
- Received some donations.
- Helping Hands reconciliation – Liz and Kevin
- Technology wish-list from teachers & principals in March

Spring party committee - Lynne -

- Party in March with DJ Valeree. Friday 3/15. 7-9pm
- Flyer being finalized. Backpacks this week.
- \$5 tickets
- **Not** a drop off event
- Rachel-ticket sales up front
- Wendy G-snacks, bake sale
- Juliet & Laurie-decorations

Cluster coordinator - Donna -

- County Council-need others to testify. Only have 6 minutes (# minutes each for Donna and Jerry) to cover all CIP and operating items. Need dedicated group of people. Last day to sign up to testify is March 15th.
- Look for transplanted kids – those from other schools in county that moved to Poolesville to share differences.
- At last meeting, group of kids shared testimony, consecutive time so that they were able to provide details of needs

Cluster coordinator/Commissioner report - Jerry -

- Operations budget is for entire county. Will cover fire department, police presence.
- Faxes & letters to Berliner, Leventhal, Erlich, Nancy Navarro, at large members. No emails.
- Increase library hours, get SRO at high school, AG Reserve, open enrollment at Monocacy.
- JPMS is short 135 kids. Short 175 kids possible in near future. Further cuts to JPMS could be pending.
- PHS-can use Jerry's testimony from fall

Assemblies committee - Juliette -

- Assemblies-3/1. Practice makes perfect.
 - Dogs doing tricks. \$650 1:15pm start time
- 5/3-laser show on anti-bullying. 1-2:50
- Mrs. Sutherland wants a science show. Maybe April?

- Move remaining Pride \$\$ to assemblies?

Teacher report - Kelly -

- Teacher items - new music stands with cart
- Same list as before

Principal report - Doug -

- Newsletter went out on Friday
- Access Control System (ACS) coming to PES by end of school year
 - Camera-main entrance and gym doors
 - Doors will always be locked
 - Still unsure of what happens after 4:30 when office closes

- \$18K per school to do this. 62 schools don't have it
- Valentine's Day parties begin at 2pm on the 14th
- Thanks to parents who volunteered for Boosterthon
- Doug's hair disappears tomorrow AM. Will be on Utube
 - Could be in *Monocle* as well

Wrap-up

- Next year-auction
- Board elections in May