

**HUNT VALLEY PTA
MEETING MINUTES
MAY 7, 2015**

Attendance: Julie Whitehouse, Jodie Langford, Rebecca Fernandes, Kelly Van Buskirk, David Fee, Maura Green, Jenn McAnallen, Jim McMahon, Andrew Clark, Stacy Lohr, Marl Polutte, Meghan Derner, Theresa Party, Beth Paben, Rita Salley, Steve Lee (16)

**I apologize for any misspellings - Kelly Van Buskirk

Welcome: The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Secretary's Report: Minutes from April 2015 meeting were approved as presented.

Treasurers Report: The Treasurer's report for April 2015 was approved as presented.

School Counseling/Certification for RAMP (Recognized ASCA Model Program (RAMP): This is a world class counsel service that would offer the school things such as: parent lending library and kits for how to help with grief and other topics. A survey monkey will be sent out to ask the parents what types of programming they would like to see offered. Please give us your feedback.

Volunteer of the Month: Karyl Mencke - We wanted to recognize her for all her hard work. She is always on hand to help at school - especially during the Book Fair. Thanks so much.

School Administrator and Faculty Report:

- **Ms. Green:** SOL Testing begins May 18th. Please check website for details.
- Testing update: NNAT - results not available yet.
- **Mr. Fee:** Global Language Program -Contact is Rita Salley. Instruction will be offered after school in both Spanish and Chinese beginning (tentatively) on September 22 (Grades 1-3) and September 24 (Grades 4-6). The time will be 4:15-5:15 and will once a week. Registration is a first come, first serve basis and will be held earlier this year due to other scheduling with after school programs. Look for more info in the KIT.
- Teacher Appreciation Week - going well. On Friday the office staff will provide Ballpark themed snacks and ice cream sundaes for the teachers.
- Kindergarten Orientation was a huge success.
- Beautification Day went well. Our goal would be to plant a new crape myrtle tree every year.
- The plaque for the track has been installed near the benches.

Board Report:

- **EPI School Kits** - As of April 24th, 56 kits have been purchased. We are in need of volunteers to help with delivery on/around August 19th and distribution is morning of open house. The varying price amounts are because the teachers want A-K and L-Z to split certain items such as handwipes and ziplock bags
- **Children's Museum Family Science Night:** We are in the lottery and will not know until August if we picked.
- **PBIS:** The PTA will merge the new PBIS logo "Soar to Excellence" into our Fall 2015 spirit wear.

Committee Chair Reports:

- **After School Programs:** Fall 2015 - Chess, Run Fit Kids, Bricks, Theatre. Will look into adding other sessions of theatre because it sold out quick for the spring session. Any other recommendations please let us know.
- **Hospitality:** This Friday to close out Teacher Appreciation week.

2015-2016 Executive Board Elections

Nominating Committee - Andrew Clark

- **President** - Julie Whitehouse
- **Vice President** - Jodie Langford
- **Treasurer** - Rebecca Fernandes
- **Secretary** - Kelly Van Buskirk

*No nominations from the floor - General Consensus for Julie Whitehouse to be President for 2015-2016, Jodie Langford to be VP for 2015-2016, Rebecca Fernandes to be Treasurer for 2015-2016, and Kelly Van Buskirk to be Secretary for 2015-2016.

*According to our bylaws, we are unable to have a 5th person on the board. We have two women who are willing to take the seats next year: Stephanie Curb - Secretary and Theresa P. for Treasurer. They will shadow those positions during the upcoming school year.

*Our bylaws expire next year (good for 5 years).

Upcoming Events and Reminders:

May

8th Teacher Appreciation Week Ends
25th Memorial Day Holiday - No School

June

4th PTA Meeting 7pm School Library
10th In School Assembly - Music Technology

The meeting adjourned at 7:49pm