HUNT VALLEY PTA MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 5th, 2015

Attendance: Julie Whitehouse, Jodie Langford, Rebecca Fernandes, Kelly Van Buskirk, David Fee, Maura Green, Jim McMahon, Joyce Darden, Kwame James, Kim Garlington, Barbara Mistrode, Heather Morris, Theresa Pedrotty, Tracy Montenegro, Jane Grady, Matt Grady, Jennifer Puryear, Catherine Luby, Andrew Clarke, Alice Link, Meg Derner, Amy Barnes, Courtney Alt, Jenn McAnallen (24) **I apologize for any misspellings - Kelly Van Buskirk

Welcome: The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

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

Treasurers Report: The Treasurer Report from October 2015 was approved as presented.

Communication from the Board:

- **Spirit Nights**: Ledo Pizza on Mon/Tues 11/16-11/17 as well as PistachYo. Doodlehopper Toys is scheduled for December 4th all day. Mention Hunt Valley at the toy store and receive 10% off your purchase.
- Bylaws: They are on the PTA website. We will vote in January and submit them by March 2016.
- **Donation Drive**: Currently we have raised \$7, 544.13! Still need around \$456 and tomorrow is the last day! If you know someone who has not donated please tell them to send it in tomorrow! We want to turn Mr. Fee's hair blue! Updated total will be in the KIT tomorrow.
- Winter Festival: Heather spoke about the details December 11th is the day. Book Fair runs from Dec. 7-11th Alice Link is the Book Fair Chair and the theme is "Monsters." We will need volunteers for the book fair and the festival so look for those sign ups coming soon. We will send another message to West Springfield HS and Irving MS. There will be no pre sales on food this year! We are going with 2 food trucks by Tailgater Toby with many options such as BBQ, sliders, hotdogs, mac and cheese, chips and drinks ect. Allergy information is posted on truck. We get 20% of the sales from the truck! We will also have 2 cake walks, photo booth, cotton candy, popcorn, and face painting! The next planning meeting will be on Nov. 9th for festival so please come if interested! We will have presale of tickets again this year. We need a photographer for this event so if you know anyone who is willing to donate time please contact Julie Whitehouse.
- **Book Fair**: Alice is taking over the Book Fair from Robin Jones. She has been in touch with Scholastic and Dec. 4th is the delivery day and the online book fair will be held Nov. 24-Dec. 4th.

Committee Chair Reports:

- **Directory**: Is in! Delivery will done Friday or Monday. Directories will be labeled with child's name on them.
- Movie Night: First movie night is tomorrow night! We are showing Inside Out at 6:30pm. We will giving free popcorn at this event.
- **Membership**: As of 11/5/2015 there are 305 members
- Campbell's: We have 400 points and 54 yesterday so please keep turning them in!
- **Special Ed Liaison**: Catherine Luby she is starting this position because of an interest from parents. An open ended questionnaire will be sent soon to try and get some feedback from what information people are looking for.
- **After School Programs**: Looking for any ideas! Please contact Jen Puryear. Minecraft wil be back in the spring.

• **Beautification Day**: Any ideas? Please contact Jim McMahon. This will be discussed more in January.

School Administrator and Faculty Report:

- Mr. Fee: New sidewalks by SACC door coming soon.
- New fence around the playground will be coming soon because of safety issues.
- New mulch has been there for awhile
- Retaining walls seem to be helping and water is draining where it is supposed to
- Trash and recycle cans will be placed at the bottom of the fields to help with trash
- Check lost and found! Tables are out so please take what is yours whatever is left is donated
- Will check with the county if they are willing to donate top soil for beautification day.
- Need volunteers for Veteran's Day Lunch next week. Because of the budget, this may not happen next year. Cost is \$3.90 per adult and non child of the school. Ceremony starts around 9:30am. Lunch starts at 10:05 and goes till 1:20pm. We will be displaying thank yous to the Veterans around the school and have some a few children read theirs at the flag ceremony.
- Ms. Green: Thanks to the teachers for attending the meetings!
- Grades 4-6 FLE will be starting Dec. 14-18th. Letters went home. December 2nd is a preview night at 6pm to look at the materials/videos being presented. Grade 4 is one day, grades 5 and 6 will be all week with 1 hour sessions. The teachers will be reading from a script.

Volunteer of the Month:

• **Mike and Rose Van Buskirk.** They logged in the most volunteer hours this month! Thanks for all your help in the school library and art room.

Upcoming Events and Reminders:

November

6th	PTA Family Movie Night - 6:30pm in school cafeteria
16th	Ledo Pizza/Pistachyo Spirit Night - Cardinal Forest Plaza
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25th	Thanksgiving Holiday - 2 hour early release
26th	Thanksgiving Holiday - No School

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December

27th

NO PTA MEETING THIS MONTH

4th Doodlehopper Spirit Night - All day 10% off

7th Winter Book Fair begins11th Winter Book Fair ends

11th Winter Festival

The meeting adjourned at 8:03pm