

**HUNT VALLEY PTA  
MEETING MINUTES  
OCTOBER 8, 2015**

**Attendance:** Julie Whitehouse, Jodie Langford, Rebecca Fernandes, Kelly Van Buskirk, David Fee, Maura Green, Terri Mason, Jim McMahon, Tracy Montenegro, Jean Fransch, Matt Grady, Ellyn Bunch, Mark Polutta, Jean McAnallen, Tara Tamargo, Jane Grady, Andrew Clarke, Cherry Yu, Tamika Jeffers, Catherine Luby, Erica Odum, Jenni Pak, Kim Garlington, Steve Lee, Abu Rabbi \*\*I apologize for any misspellings - Kelly Van Buskirk

**Welcome:** The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes from September 17th, 2015 meeting were approved as presented.

**Treasurers Report:** Treasurers report from September 2015 was approved as presented.

**Pyramid Run:**

- Saturday, October 17th at Irving Middle School at 10am-K-3 runs a 1/2 mile and 4-6 runs 1 mile
- Registration is closed but you can still go the day of the race and register but cannot guarantee a t-shirt.
- Currently have 54 registered

**Communication from the Board:**

- Audit Committee: Currently asking for 3 volunteers to do monthly audit of the books. This is to help the end of the year audit. As of 10/8/15 - Jim McMahon and Tracy Montenegro have volunteered to do before monthly meetings. If interested please email.
- Spirit Nights: Currently have 2 scheduled - Ledo Pizza for 2 nights on 16th and 17th of November and Doodlehooper on Friday, December 4th. We have put in a request for Chipotle but are waiting to hear back. Will also check into Austin Grill.
- PTA Bylaws: Due on March 1st and are on the PTA website to review. We will vote on these in January 2016. Mostly we have changed the terms on the chairman positions. This needs to be renewed every 5 years.
- Donation Drive: This is our major fundraiser for the year. It will start the week of Oct. 13th-Nov. 6th. We are hoping to raise \$8,000 which equals to about \$12 per student. If we reach our goal, Mr. Fee will dye his hair blue!
- Directory: We have an Opt out option and the form is also online. If you decided to opt out- we need your child's name, grade, teacher, and parent signature. If this is not done - your information will be published. This information has been on the website, KIT, and weekly newsletter. We currently have 14 unaccounted forms with only a parent signature on them. Room parents will try and send an email to the parents to ask again to make sure they filled out the form correctly.

**Committee Chair Reports:**

- **Membership:** As of 10/8/2015 there are 297 members
- **After School Programs:** Wednesday Bricks 4 Kidz - A parent volunteer is still needed from 3:55-4:15pm - please contact Jen Puryear if available to help. A discount will be given.

**Volunteer of the Month:**

Jean Fransch! She has helped with the delivery and distribution of the EPI School Kits for the past 2 years during the summer hours! She is always smiling and willing to help. Thanks Jean!

### **School Administrator and Faculty Report:**

- **Ms. Green:** Thank you for the teachers and counseling staff for attending the meetings!
- Testing for the CogAT will be done for the 2nd grade next week on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. If this test is not currently on file for older students in other grades, you will be contacted to take the test as well. If you are new to the county and are unsure please check with me.
- **Mr. Fee:** Teacher Workday on October 9th
- Monday is Columbus Day and a holiday for students
- Dr. Garza is proposing that if we have 5 or more inclement weather days, she wants to try and put in a waiver to start school before Labor Day.
- We are currently down 2 custodians so please be patient
- Health code violations - there are now signs in front of the school and the back saying that pets are not allowed on school grounds. Please tell people if they are not aware of this. Mr. Fee has been out cleaning up some of the mess.
- There has been a lot of trash and water bottles around school grounds. We have contacted SYC about this and hoping they can talk to their coaches and keep the fields and school clean.
- Kiss and Ride is working well and so are the buses
- School Budget is now a hot topic between now and April. There is a link on Facebook, the KIT, and PTA Website to check out and review.
- Elections are November 3rd for School Board.
- The community is building 20 new Single Family Homes on other side of Gambrill Road.
- PBIS Reward - we challenged the students to get 200 Hawks and they currently have 967! The students were rewarded with a movie day.

### **Upcoming Events and Reminders:**

#### ***October***

<i>9th</i>	Student Holiday - No School
<i>12th</i>	Columbus Day Holiday - No School
<i>30th</i>	Grading Period ends - 2 hour early release

#### **November**

<i>2nd</i>	Student Holiday - no school
<i>3rd</i>	Student Holiday - no school
<i>5th</i>	PTA Meeting -7pm in School Library
<i>6th</i>	PTA Family Movie Night - 6:30 in cafeteria
<i>16th</i>	Ledo Pizza Spirit Night - Cardinal Forest Plaza
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The meeting adjourned at 7:54pm