

HUNT VALLEY PTA

Meeting Minutes from March 2, 2017 Meeting

Attendance: Joyce Darden, Katie Matis, Christy Whiteaker, Kim Garlington, Sharon Sacks, Sheila Kelly, Maura Donahue, David Fee, Susan Lutz, Catherine Luby, Kerri Lord, Jodie Jacobs, Andrew Clarke, Marina Trad, Rebecca Fernandes, Stephanie Curb, Alice Link, Theresa Pedrotty, Amy Barnes (19) ***I apologize for any misspellings***

Welcome: The meeting was called to order 7:04pm

Secretary's Report: Minutes from January 2017 meeting were approved as presented by Susan Lutz and Catherine Luby.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report approved by Sheila Kelly and Jodie Jacobs.

Committee Chair Reports:

- **Spring Beautification Day:** pines have been staked tightly – dates will be May 6/7 or June 3/4 & a sign – up genius will go out late March– need 2x the amt. of mulch, 2 crepe myrtles & 2 boxwoods ordered. Plant delivery will cost ½ the normal delivery price, also get 25% off items bought. Butterfly garden will need more plants and also need to build boxes to use as planters.
- **Nominating Committee:** Sarah Koeppel, Catherine Luby, and Marina Trad – No one yet has turned in their names.
April - hand in your name for the office you would like to run for.
May – introduce yourself and tell why you want to run for that office.
- **Volunteer of the Month:** Rebecca Fernandes
- **Book Fair:** Becky Fernandes – Camp is the Spring theme – 3/27-31 - books will be delivered 3/23 and teachers will be able to preview them that evening. Will need additional volunteers on Mar 31st to take it all down. Paper bags will be given to teachers again to decorate – “name our campground”.
- **Special Education Parent Group:** Catherine Luby – Catherine has set up a Spirit night at Flight for May 10th.
- **Spring Family Night:** will be held March 31st. Additional information to go out mid-March. Pre-purchase tickets – vendor will be Chris Cakes again. Basket raffle links are live on Sign-Up genius, ticket order forms going home Monday. We are charged per plate, so we need to remind everyone to **KEEP** their plates when getting seconds.
- **Teacher Appreciation:** Ashely Echols is heading this – April 17th will be the luncheon for the teachers because there is no school. There will be BBQ brought in – sign up genius to go out mid-March for additional donations of food

and volunteers to help w/set up and clean up. Teacher appreciation week will be held May 1st – 5th. The theme is super heroes and there will be something different each day. We will need volunteers to cover the teachers lunches that Friday & a sign up genius for this will go out mid-April.

- **PTA Membership:** per Andrew Clarke, we have 335 members
- **Spirit Wear:** March 6th hoping to have website up & running – new colors being offered, same design, also offering shorts.
- **After School Activities:** set up for Spring – registration is open for some now – Run Fit Kids offering am & pm sessions.

Communication from the Board:

- Family Movie Night – March 10th will be next movie night and it will be “Finding Dory.”

School Administrator and Faculty Report:

Mr. Fee:

- A couple of people have almost been hit because of **ILLEGAL** u-turns
- VDOT will hopefully get us some signs to help with these problems
- 711 students enrolled
- School is ranked 66th out of 1200 as best schools in Fairfax Cty
- Goal is to have new super intendent named by April
- will check with county on getting a tarp for the playground to provide shade – very slow in receiving answers

Mrs. Donahue:

- 1st graders tests start next week – done on computer
- SOL – dates are posted on school web site – will be computer adapted testing for grades 3-8 in math and grades 3-5 in reading.
- Tornado drills
- March 21st – meeting in school library about curriculum changes to FLE for grades 4-6 – you can opt out of one, some or all of the curriculum

Mrs. Sacks – SCA – Will hold a Bingo Night on March 17th from 6:00 – 8:00pm. Will be able to pre-order cards and blotters, admission will be 1 can of food or \$1, and want to do a basket raffle. Dinner starts at 5:15pm. Donations coming in from the community.

Please send in your box tops to Ms. Lilly to help out the SCA

The meeting adjourned at 8:19pm.