

Hunt Valley PTA Board Meeting
December 2nd, 2020 @ 6:30 pm
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Attendees: 21-23 people

- **President:** Welcome & Introductions
- **Secretary Report:** Provided highlights/summary from November meeting. Discussed where to find meeting minutes on HV PTA website. Motion to approve minutes- Anna B., and Christy W.
- **Treasurer Report:**
 - PTA all up to date with dues at national/local level
 - 82 members (goal is 200)
 - Income is low, however past balance is helping
 - Teachers continue to seek reimbursement (as provided by PTA)
- **Mr. Fee & Mrs. Donahue:**
 - In building daily, stay tuned with updates on News You choose
 - Metrics can be followed on FCPS/Twitter sites
 - They will make sure to keep us informed of changes and what stays the same
- **Equity-**Mrs. Vanderhoff
 - Hope to have guest speaker on Equity in near future
 - Negative feedback received on Diversity Assembly, “low quality”, will continue to find good representative format for next assembly, want to make sure all are represented In a positive way
 - Hope for next assembly to be live, feedback is always welcome
 - Any family thoughts/ can be e-mailed to Mrs. Vanderhoff (eavanderhoff@fcps.edu)
- **Committee Updates:**
 - **Bylaws** (Sarah K)- drafted, need to be turned in to VA PTA by January, part of being in good standing, Anna B. and Donna G. reviewed. Will be sent to PTA members only. Please email Sarah K. for any edits or comments. Vote will be electronic in January.
 - **Book Fair** (Christy W.)- Last December 12-16K In sales, may consider continuing with Scholastic online book fair, or explore other book fair options. Feedback received that it can be difficult to navigate scholastic site.
- **President:**
 - Teachers favorites link on PTA website
 - PTA has limited permission outside of school building

- **VP Report:**
 - Link provided in chat for membership via member hub
 - Coffee chat with school support team will take place this coming Friday @ 8:15 am. Possibly do evening session in the future.
 - After school programs remain virtual

- **Guest Speaker Mrs. Berry and Mrs. Mason (School support team)**
 - “Your attitude is the mind’s paintbrush.”
 - Positivity projects daily/weekly
 - Self-talk lessons
 - Make sure kids are recognized for growing, not just a grade or test-score
 - Ways to support student’s learning in the virtual world: schedule, materials available, and a learning environment is key
 - Discuss with kids about return to school preparation including masks, routines, drinking fountains disabled at school
 - Expect child to have changes during the adjustment period
 - Best way to reach support team is via e-mail
 - Q: What can I keep an eye on? A: All are experiencing trauma/anxiety, but it is necessary to have the skills to move forward and not be stuck in it.
 - You cannot pour from an empty cup!

- Donna G. discussed SEPTA seclusion and restraint policy. Will be posted to HVA PTA webpage.

President: No meeting in January. Next meeting February 3rd @ 6:30 pm

Meeting adjourned @ 7:45 pm.