

# Perry Hall Middle School PTSA Board Meeting Minutes January 10, 2018

**Attendance:** Amy Mitcherling; Jolie Headley; Kim Williston; Tori Banks; Johanna Duncan; Michael Tedeschi; Kathy Crowe; Bradley Bauer; Kimberly Levush; Lisa Balderson; Angela Shoyer; Swati Ghandi; Aisha France, Dawn Blehl; Cindy Shilling; Emily Knight; Darryl France; Karyn Polk; Jennifer Pawlo-Johnstone; Vanessa Rush

**Call to Order & Welcome** – Amy Mitcherling, President, 6:50pm

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Established Quorum: 14 board members out of a possible 19 eligible toward quorum in attendance. See attached attendance sheet for details.

**Approval of Minutes** - Motion by Kim Levush, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tori Banks

**President's Report** – Amy Mitcherling

- Nothing major to report at this meeting. Things I have to discuss will be addressed later in the agenda.

**Treasurer's Report** – Kim Levush

- The CFA Spirit Night only brought in \$160.
- The Fall Fundraiser has brought in an additional \$639 in donations. We also have 12 new members, for a total of 527 paid memberships
- We have paid towards 6<sup>th</sup> grade field trip, the caterer for the December Teacher Breakfast, and for new Red Bag items.
- Bank Balance as of 1/5/18 is \$34,711.34

**Principal's Report** – Johanna Duncan

- Quarter Ends January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – 3 hours early dismissal
- Color Wars – Instead of dividing the children into alphabet; they are assign a color.  
Blue team won and they got to silly string Mrs.Giannelli
- January 26<sup>th</sup> – Snow Dance

- Basketball games – tickets are sold 2 days prior to game. PTA recommended having more staff check in during concession sales with all of the students in the cafeteria.

**Faculty Representative Reports** –

- 6th Grade – No Representative Present
- 7th Grade – Kathy Crowe – Currently working on things for the spring. Holocaust survivors coming to speak to the entire 7<sup>th</sup> grade. Tentative date is 4/24/18. GT currently reading *Parallel Journeys*, and the entire 7<sup>th</sup> grade is studying WW 2 in World Cultures.
- 8th Grade – Mike Tedeschi – Mrs. Lindsay brought up concerns that the students bring their devices to school fully charged and when walking the hall way the computers should be in there bags and not loose.
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**Student Representative Reports** –

- 6<sup>th</sup> grade – E. Knight - When walking hallways hearing a lot of verbal threats to other students. Ms. Duncan addressed her concerns and offered advice on options to deal with the issue.
- 7<sup>th</sup> grade – A. Schilling – Aaron also added on to what Emily brought up. He mentioned that students go to Moonshine Alley to fight, as there aren't classrooms near there. Mr. Bauer addressed Aaron's concerns that he does not observe those things when he is there.
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade –D. France, Jr.- nothing to report

**Student Council** – Report given by Amy Mitcherling

- Coin Wars have started – collecting change – this year they are doing it by team colors instead of grade level to try to encourage students to support their teams. Certain change (pennies) will cancel out the silver coins. The change will ultimately be donated to a cancer charity.

**Committee Reports**

**Staff Appreciation & Hospitality** – Kiri Williston & Swati Ghandi

- December – Teacher Breakfast – received a lot of donations for this event.

- February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – Salad bar lunch planned for teachers and staff
- They are working on Teach Appreciation Week.

### **Fundraising**

- *Basketball Concessions*- Sales have gone well at the games
- *Dave & Busters Power Cards*- Order forms were sent home. We will make 50% off each card. They may be used at any D&B location.

### **Book Fair** – Jolie Headley

- Just confirmed the dates for the Bogo Book Fair – April 16-20<sup>th</sup>.
- Set up will happen April 13<sup>th</sup>. Trying to figure out an evening event.

### **Restaurant Spirit Nights** - Lisa Reyburn-Payne

- Trying to get a spirit night together for January – have a call into Season Pizza & Dominick's; however, have been unable to get a hold of a representative.
- Will work on doubling up to catch up on the Restaurant/Spirit Nights.

### **Spirit Wear** – Amy Mitcherling for Jenn Holt

- We earned \$356.06, which is a smaller profit than in the past. Some teachers were dissatisfied that the “hoodies” were not a true “hoodie” but more like a shirt with a hood. Mrs. Crowe mentioned that some of the teachers did not like how the decal was placed on the front of the shirt.
- Will work on figuring out a spring sale. Mr. Tedeschi suggested that BCPS has a t-shirt vendor they encourage teachers/staff to use. PTSA could possibly look into using them in the future.

### **Scholarship** – Jennifer Pawlo-Johnstone

- Offering two \$1000.00 scholarships
- \$1000.00 General PTSA; \$1000.00 Humanitarian
- \$500.00 – Palmer
- Deadline for the two scholarships is Friday April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
- Letters have been sent out to all area high schools.
- Need 2 to 3 more volunteers to help with reviewing the applications.

### **Reflections** – Vanessa Rush

- In lieu of teachers not assigning reflections as an assignment in art, language arts, or any other applicable classes, we only had one entry to submit. The entry was delivered to the County Liaison on Sunday.
- A 6<sup>th</sup> grader submitted an entry, and Vanessa would like to give them some sort of recognition for their work.

### **Star Search** – Angela Shroyer

- Posters will be going up after the meeting. The Sign-up Genius will be live tonight.
- Audition Date February 28, 2018
- Dress Rehearsal – April 4, 2018, with set-up on April 5<sup>th</sup>, and the show on April 6<sup>th</sup>
- Same videographer & DJ that was used in the past has been contacted.
- Waiting to hear from the DJ

### **Membership** – Tori Banks

- 539 registered members at current count

### **Old Business**

- Dave and Busters – order form went home – make half of what we bring in. They have no expiration date or activation fee.
- Under budget on the basketball concessions – going well.

### **New Business**

- KUMON (across the street) contacted Tori. They want to get more involved with the Perry Hall Community, possibly through membership, events, advertising, etc. Ms. Duncan is going to check and see if there is a county guideline for endorsing an educational company.
- Amy mentioned the possibility of moving our next meeting, as it falls on Valentine's Day and Ash Wednesday. After a discussion, and seeing there are no other convenient Wednesdays available, it was decided to leave the meeting on 2/14/18

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm.

Next Meeting February 14, 2018

Minutes prepared and submitted by Dawn Blehl, Recording Secretary