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BBMS PTA Executive Board Meeting  
15 April 2009

Present: Donna Sudbrook, Carolyn Jameson, Nan Brown, Kathy Green, Amy Schroeder, Barbara Wofford, Mark Ensor, Keith Janelli, Trudy van den Deijssel

Minutes of last meeting were approved.

1. Administration and Teacher reports

Msa went smoothly, kids were enthusiastic

Science MSA April 22<sup>nd</sup>

G/T Parent Orientation April 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm media centre for incoming 5<sup>th</sup> graders

Band and Orchestra at River Hill HS 6 pm

22<sup>nd</sup> April report cards issue

April 29<sup>th</sup> Honor Roll Assembly (3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter), Breakfast of Champions starting at 7:30am

April 23<sup>rd</sup> school closed (Countywide Prof. Development Day)

On May 4<sup>th</sup> participating STARS, the staff members will meet the families. Karin Molcyk will send an email about it. Will be held in cafeteria at 3:30pm.

The biggest seller of the cookie dough fundraiser will get the biggest gift card during lunch shift. (waiting for Rob for green light) Drawing will be tomorrow morning, presents like ipods etc. will be giving at the end of the day.

Mr. Ensor (6<sup>th</sup> grade): Outdoor ED forms due April 24<sup>th</sup>. 6<sup>th</sup> Grade will need donations like 8oz water bottles and pretzels/sun chips. Request will be sent through eschool news. Will check on availability of water coolers, so kids could bring their own water bottle in order to be refilled. Donna will send email to yahoo group and eschool with details.

Mr. Janelli (7<sup>th</sup> grade): There will be a guide on May 14<sup>th</sup> during the 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Field Trip at Patapsco Park. No fees for this trip because of donations. 7<sup>th</sup> Grade reading teacher needs app. \$ 80 for crayons, pencils, glue etc. for the book kits for young children that are a part of the 7th grade Student Service Learning project. Kathy mentioned \$ 50 of community services could be used for

that. Maybe parents can also donate.....Donna will send Jocelyn Anthony Williams an email about that. Mr. Janelli thanks PTA for the donations for Medieval Times.

## 2. PTA Officer reports; President, Vice President, Secretary, Delegate

Donna: delegate perspective: Linda Wise from the Dept of Education (HCPSS) attended the last PTACHC meeting on March 30 to provide a final report on a new policy which will affect Activity Fees and other payments requested of parents by a local school. Under the new policy, local schools will no longer be permitted to ask parents for money except for nominal parking fees, transcript and copying fees. Standardized supply lists for Elementary, Middle, and High Schools have also been prepared for local school use.

Parents are made aware of the changes. Donna asked if there is any news about teacher/school impact. Carolyn had meeting with Linda 2 weeks ago, it's a wait and see. Parents can still donate. Any donations are welcome. Supply list came from teachers and is different per school, so they try to get something in the middle. Supply list will be available in June. Costs will be lower, but not known how much exactly. PTA would like to know in advance so budget can be adjusted. Should be known in time as per Carolyn.

## 3. PTA Treasurer's report

Will be able to stick to budget, because of Donna's work with 8<sup>th</sup> grade (signature t-shirts)

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Cultural arts, classroom enrichment and activity fund money will be used for outdoor ED 6<sup>th</sup> grade, cannot be used for any mean of transportation.

Because of the extra donations (\$ 5) per family (total of \$ 1000) a lot of kids are able to go to Outdoor ED as well.

People are not aware of poverty in Howard County. A small amount is a big help. Donna asks if we need another fundraiser. Kathy says one Restaurant night would be nice and she prefers not to ask for another extra donation.

## 4. PTA Magazine fundraiser and other committee reports

Prizes will be awarded tomorrow.

Spiritwear, final report is also finalized. She doesn't have final sale price yet.

STARS end of year party: Mon, May 4th, at 3:30pm.

8th grade signature shirts, final report: Sold 153!!!!

## 5. Student Socials

Sandra Miller coordinated After School Movie on Friday, March 20, 3-5pm at school, 60 kids came!

The School Dance is Wednesday, April 22, 3-5pm. DJ Doug will be our DJ. Permission slip from parents must be with the money. Tickets sold (\$5) and permission slips collected during lunch, Apr 14-22.

Chaperones are needed for the dance; contact Sandra Miller at [sanmil0963@comcast.net](mailto:sanmil0963@comcast.net)

Amy Schroeder asks if request can be sent through yahoo and eschool also. Donna will ask Janet to put it on the website.

## 6. Hospitality: (Amy Schroeder)

8<sup>th</sup> grade dance : June 17<sup>th</sup> from 6.30 to 8.30, Donna will put it in eschool news as well. Volunteers are needed!!! Chaperones are preferably 7<sup>th</sup> grade parents. Teachers are there as well. Amy will send Mrs. Kupisch an email about what kind of volunteer help is wanted. A flyer will be sent about the dance, because a lot of people don't have internet access.

The closing ceremony for 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be held on June 12<sup>th</sup> at HHS.

For the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade picnic at Centennial Park on June 8<sup>th</sup> are also chaperones needed. All dates will be on the same permission form.

## 7. Staff Appreciation: (Barbara Wofford)

May 4-8 is Staff Appreciation Week.

Barbara: budget looks good, however volunteers needed. Cater or have people bring in food, will be picnic-like. Not many donations from businesses this year, so it will not be as good as last year. There's also going to be a "Guess who?" game at BBMS. In order to make that happen, questionnaires will be sent out to the staff.

8. Nominating Committee is being formed to fill PTA officer positions for next year (2009-2010). We have 1 volunteer, Donna Sudbrook. We need 2 more volunteers to serve on this committee.

Most, if not all work will be done by email and phone. Contact Donna Sudbrook at [donnasudbrook@verizon.net](mailto:donnasudbrook@verizon.net).

There is a candidate for president. Donna is going to be president at Ilchester next year. Everything else is still open.

Kathy asked about the volunteer appreciation end of year happening. Will be done as per Carolyn, but the date is not known yet.

PTA meeting will be switched to May 20 instead of 13, because of Outdoor ED.

#### 9. Other Committee Reports.

Carolyn Jameson mentioned BBMS wants to do a 5k, 1 mile run/walk. However this must be certified. Have to find how this can be done, maybe through people with experience like the Striders and girls scout. It is an active/fun kind of fundraising.

Next meeting: May 20, 2009

Minutes submitted by Trudy van den Deijssel