

BBMS PTA Executive Board Minutes

October 13, 2010

Present:

-Principal Ms. Carolyn Jameson , Administrative Intern Ms. Michele Doyle-Wetzelberger

-Teachers/Staff: Alyson Quick, Ashley Liby, Saimantha Kinsella, Patricia Dodson

-PTA board members: LaVonne DeLattiboudere, Bernice Dargan, Sangita Patel, Beth Webster, Pam Gray

-PTA Committee Chairs: Jillian Storms, Laura Zulick, Kathy Daisey, Amy Schroeder, Jenn Hawes

-PTA members/parents: Yvette Hayes, Wendy Williams, Meena Khatri, Liz Beachum, Maryann Colea, Gaye Stokes, Renalda Stallworth, Myra Jackson

September minutes approved

President's Report, LaVonne Delattiboudere

-**WATCHDOGS program**-We will not have funding to start this program this year. However, encouraging male contribution to PTA and school involvement. Would like to have a lunch day with Dad's and also lunch day with Mom's. Suggested as much advanced notice as possible for parents. Also, maybe recess with Dads as idea.

-**International Night**-A parent is interested in planning the Caribbean part but we do not have a chair yet. Date is TBA.

1st VP, Bernice Dargan-School dance to be held April 1st. Trying to get more students involved by reaching out to the student council to get ideas from students to encourage involvement and theme ideas. Suggested to have student council and students plan the dance. Suggested by a parent to have 3 different dances-one per grade but it was decided this would be too many.

2nd VP, Sandra Miller- no report

Treasurer's Report, Sangita Patel- Budget approved Sept. 30. Raised \$8,850 so far. Short of goal for \$11, 300.

Principal's Report, Carolyn Jameson

-Good turnout for back to school night

-Student hall/bathroom passes are located in student agenda books.

-SST Central Office School Visit on 10/22. Team looks at school progress on the School Improvement Plan, especially the use of high leverage strategies. First BBMS SIT meeting will be held the end of the month.

-Howard County Council of Elders: Recognizes African American students who score advanced on the MSA Reading and or Math in a celebration at Centennial High School on November 10th at 6:30pm. BBMS grades 6-8 students will be invited to come to the gym during their core time on Oct. 18 to receive congratulations and an invitation to attend the ceremony from administration and staff. They will also receive invitations from the BSAP office in the mail.

-Common Core Standards: A New Era in Mathematics Teaching and Learning(check out BBMS math wiki site for updates).

-STEM Family Night Oct. 27 from 6-8pm at Arundel Mills Mall, Fashion Court, K-12. More info on website

-Howard County College Fair Oct. 17 from 1-4 at Atholton High School

-BBMS Quarterly Assessments, Oct. 21-Nov. 12 for all grades

-Dates to Remember:

10/19-Chick-Fil-A Night, Executive Park Drive 5-9pm(7th grade fundraiser)

10/27-Community Outreach@PLES 6-8pm

11/1-7th grade aquarium fieldtrip

11/2-Schools closed(election day)

11/5-Schools closed(professional work day)

11/11-Reading Assessments, all grades

Administrative Intern, Ms. Doyle-Wetzelberger

PBIS-how can we extend student scholar dollars? Ms. Williams teaches a program on economics and wants to see how she can incorporate student scholar dollars into this lesson. Also, wants a partner in a bank to devise some type of program to start in our school where student can keep an account here in the school in which they can deposit dollars. Then a bank can transfer that into real money for the student. Good PR for bank and it would reinforce 3R's and PBIS program. Wants to know if anyone has a contact in a bank??

Teachers Reports:

-6th grade, Ashley Liby

-English-Martin Luther King Jr. Essay Contest and Living the Dream Award. 3 choices for middle schoolers. Pick part of speech and write how it is represented in Howard County. Applications are available from English teachers.

-Outdoor Ed in May. More information to follow.

-7th grade, Keith Janelli, Upcoming events:

-Chick-Fil-A night on Tuesday, Oct. 19th (5-9pm)

-Aquarium Field Trip on Nov. 1st

-Pei Wei Night on Wednesday, Nov. 17th (4-9pm)

-8th grade, Saimantha Kinsella-Will be starting on the Student Service Learning Project, Empty Bowls. Art Class students will be making ceramic bowls and FACS students will be making food that they will freeze. In the 3rd quarter, parents can purchase bowl and students will be serving food made in FACS.

-Terrapin Adventures field trip-1/2 students went today and other half will go tomorrow.

-Reading Specialist, Patricia Dodson- The Reading Team will be participating in the Bowie Baysocks Reading and Hitting a Home Run Program. Starts in January and asked to read 5 non-school related texts. Students will receive free tickets to a game. Introduced in all reading classes. Students received poster paper to design posters

-Student Services, Alyson Quick- updated wiki site. Many categories that are helpful to parents and students. Area for Shark Talk which lists all topics for October.

-BSCFN Representative, Myra Jackson-Black Students Community Family Network-General meetings for parents on Oct. 20. Upcoming workshop. Specialist from HCPSS will be speaking on Steps to Advocacy. This is a parent leader workshop.

Committee Reports:

-PALS, Dayna Crisco-no report

-Hospitality Chair, Jenn Hawes-Date for staff appreciation is Nov. 22nd. Needs list of volunteers

-Special Events Chair, Sandra Miller- no report

-PTAC Representative, Pam Gray-Attended monthly PTAC meeting. There will be a county-wide coat drive. Donations are due by November 1st. We will get a box in school for donations.

Updates to board docs on website. Navigation improved and amount of information. Minutes of meetings. Go to www.hcpss.org/board or through HCPSS website.

-Reflections, Jillian Storms-no report

-Membership and Direct Donations, Laura Zulick- \$8,035 in direct donations and 1,200 in membership. Down from last year . Wants to make sure each PTA executive board members have paid dues and registered. Looking for new ideas to increase donations and participation. Reaching out to teachers.

-Poetry Night, Gail Miller Myers- no report

-Parents for Positive Change, Jillian Storms- no report

-Student Directory, Beth Webster-work in progress. Suggested by a parent to have database where parents don't have to enter same information every year. Just to update.

-Boxtops, Dedra Harris-no report

-Health and Wellness, Yvette Rooks- no report

-STARS, Amy Schroeder-Overwhelming requests for participation by staff and in need of parents. 12 family's short.

Minutes submitted by Secretary Beth Webster