BBMS PTA General Meeting May 8, 2019

In attendance: Tiffany Carmean (Assistant Principal), Carol Ketterman (Assistant principal) Tonya Sigalas (President), Andrea Ulrich (Treasurer) Rena Shooman (Secretary), Heather Fox, Julie Bedwell, Rich Pemberton, Gina McGuiness, Elizabeth DeGuilio, Terese Cooper and Jeanene Reeves

7:05 pm Meeting called to order

Review and Approval of Feb minutes

Motion to accept minutes made by Rich Pemberton Motion 2nded by Heather Fox Motion Passed

Admin Report

A parent is concerned about honor roll gifts, the plastic cups are a concern for the environment. Student council voted and decided on cups. PTA supplements the money for these gifts. Student council looking into other options.

PARCC budget and staffing needs approval by the county council. They want budget cuts and staffing cuts. This would result in larger size classes.

8th grade team prepared school visits they have also started planning the promotion ceremony and end of year dance

There were questions about the incident last week and rumors going around. Emergency procedures are in place for incidents, but this was not a true emergency. Different communication would be sent but school administration sent out communication because of rumors and wanted to give info to calm parents and let them know what is going on.

PTACHC-

The goal is to maintain the current class size but we need to get info out to the parents. Letters should be in by next week as budget decisions need to be made.

Discussion about high school #13 the issue with developer pursue the water tower and the quarry this did resolve and the high school is scheduled to open and 2023

Bus violations. 290 in 1 day, people passing busses. Favored plus camera and money collected be put into school safety approved.

PTA proposed increase in dues Of \$1.50. The increase letter from Howard County PTA may be sent to say that they do not agree with the increase but 1st need support of the school PTA's. Our PTA wants to know what money would go for. Many schools change to PTOs as we are not getting benefits from being PTA.

PTACHC needs executive positions filled.

The start time of schools was discussed again. Health benefits for starting later were shared.

Student Council asked if we could host another viewing. the cost is \$1000. It was suggested we combine with 2 other schools. May be something to look into for next year

QPR training suggested. Grass roots does not charge.

Treasurer -

\$18,000 in checking account and 6500 in money market account Upcoming expenses are spirit wear and Shakespeare. insurance will be filed soon.

HC drug free-

Drug take-back day was a success. 3500 the ends of sharps were collected And 993 pounds of medication its program will be held again in October

Staff Appreciation

This years staff appreciation week will be similar from past years however the week will be pushed back and will be one week later than usual. People are being encouraged to sign up in Sign in genius

President report

Stars were revealed Monday. There was lots of excitement around the activity.

Todd Silver has volunteered to handle the 8th grade dance and has flyers already printed.

There is someone who expressed interest in redoing the website. We plan to have it completed over the summer.

Mashel will be vice president if the president's position is filled Social committee chairman still needs to be filled.

SECAC positions need to be filled and poetry slam also needs a coordinator.

Meeting adjourned 8 pm