

**Minutes of the PTA BOD Meeting
Held May 10th, 2016
WES Media Center**

In Attendance

Olga Zavialova
Nancy Pitrone
Silvia Rocca
Kathy Jacobs
Kelly Balchunas
Rachel Edoho-Eket
Scarlett Goon
Dani Boarman
Tracy McEvoy

Approval of April's Meeting Minutes (additional comments added to construction update in the Principal's report)

President's Report

Dani Boarman

Dani Boarman is running the meeting as Past President while Karyn Peluso is recovering. We wish Karyn a restful recovery.

Thank You:

1. The Cultural Arts committee for the author's visit and other class assemblies.
2. Kelly organizing screen free week and getting ready for the ice cream social.
3. Green Committee for all their efforts with the textile drive and Earth Week.
4. Wellness committee for getting the Fitness Fridays started (if the rain would stop).
5. Cris Boarman for assisting in coordinating efforts for the picture taking for the 25th Anniversary.
6. Staff Appreciation Committee for all the planning and organizing for this week.
7. Family Enrichment for beginning the process of planning the end of year picnic.
8. Executive board members for their continued efforts and support.
9. Fifth grade activities for organizing the pool party and planning for SCH.
10. Kelly Van Horn for organizing our Spirit Night at Yogi Castle and Nancy Pitrone for creating the flyer
11. Christy Houck for ongoing yearbook efforts
12. And all those working behind the scenes. Please forgive the ones I may have missed.

General PTA Meeting: May 16, 2016

Before the Ice Cream Social Ceremony for the Screen Free Week Award Celebration, we are going to hold our last General PTA meeting for the year. At this meeting we will vote on the 2016-2017 Executive board and our bylaws.

Important Dates

We have updated the calendar for May and beginning of June. There are still more dates to add. We will be adding a Spirit Night at Yogi Castle, May 18th. Another upcoming date that we need to put on the calendar is our June BOD meeting. Traditionally this is a party/social to end to year. We look for someone to host. Once we have the host we will set the date. If you are interested, please let me know.

Principal's Report

Kathy Jacobs

- Huge thank you for the Staff Appreciation activities. Everything has been so nice. Love the superheroes theme.
- Interims will be sent home on the 12th of May
- The ESM celebration night (World Language/Strengths Parent Night) is on the 19th
- Field Day is the following week - Fri the 27th. Volunteers are still needed.
- Individual team pics will be taken tomorrow, May 11th, in recognition of Waverly's 25th anniversary. Teams will be organized in the shape of 25 for each picture.
- PTA will be presenting a plaque to the school with a montage of all the team pics and RECC in the shape of a 25
- The week leading up to the anniversary there will be facts and tidbits about Waverly on the announcements.
- Also considering having a Photo Booth at the end of the year picnic so students can have something to take home as part of the 25th celebration. The photos could be printed with "25th Anniversary". Pencils were another option discussed.

Vice Principal's Report

Rachel Edoho-Eket

- The treats and cards from Staff Appreciation Week have been greatly enjoyed.
- Currently doing PARCC and MAP assessments
- Thursday, May 19th at 6:30pm - Excited to highlight the ESM model with a gallery walk to show how strengths impact lives. The GROW STRONG WEEK will lead up to the ESM night. This is a way to celebrate what students do best, involve the whole school and the Grow Strong principles.
- Tuesday, May 24th - Evening of Excellence - see displays, 3rd grade chorus sings and the jazz ensemble performs.

Vice President's Report**Kelly Balchunas**

- Forms are being turned in from Screen Free Week participants
- Award Celebration and Ice Cream Social on May 16th at 7pm
- Kelly Balchunas & Kelly Van Horn will attend Kindergarten registration to introduce the Waverly PTA

Vice President's Report**Nancy Pitrone**

Staff Appreciation Week is going well. Special thanks to Olga Zavialova
WES PTA gifts have included

- refurbishing all patio furniture
- water replenishment system
- wireless microphone system

Treasurer's Report**Kelly Balchunas for Saral Patel**

In the past month the PTA paid for:

Author visit and luncheon (Cultural Arts)
BOE Forum (hospitality budget)
Assemblies - master gardner & butterfly assembly
Related Arts - spring concert accompanist

Other business:

Hershey Park Sales - Income \$8718 + 709 (checks just deposited) = 9,427
 Expenses \$8301.35
 Profit 1,125.65

****This has been identified as the spring fundraiser in the budget****

Reminders:

Staff Appreciation - \$3000 budget
5th Grade SCH - \$500 budget
Restaurant Nights - Papa Murphy's \$82.80 profit, they were very pleases and we
 are setting up a fundraiser night in the summer
Yogi Castle - 5/18 12pm-10pm - 25% return!!
Glory Days is ongoing

Upcoming:

Still waiting for box tops check
Spirit wear & yearbook income should be rolling in soon

Council Delegate's Report

Nicky Mantzouris attended the PTAHC meeting on May 2nd.

The meeting began at 7:30 with the call to order, quorum, and pledge. The minutes from the previous meeting were voted on and accepted, and the Treasurer's report was also accepted.

Agenda Item: Superintendent's Report

Griffin Divin has been elected as the Student Member of the Board (SMOB).

The last day of school is 6/17, with 3 hour early dismissal on 6/16 and 6/17.

2016-17 academic calendar has been approved. The start date is 8/29, spring break is 4/10-4/17, and the last day of school is 6/13.

PTAs should please remind parents to update their Family File.

The ARL Greenhouse sale is going on through June.

Parent Academies:

- 5/7 Supporting a Child's Social and Emotional Development
- 5/12 Raising a Critical Thinker

Public Hearings:

- 5/12 7:30 at BOE - Budget for FY18 - 22, Policy 3040 Technology Security, Policy 8080 Use of Social Media and Technology

Coffee with the Board - 5/7

Agenda Item: Scholarship - Amber Treat

Managers from Wegmans were presented with a plaque to thank them for all Wegmans does for the communities and PTAs.

The scholarship fund has \$6084 and there are 34 applicants

Agenda Item: BOE Liaison, Christine O'Connor

Budget:

- The BOE is committed to honoring all promises negotiated regarding the budget and funding programs, salaries, etc. However, there is a budget gap that will prevent expanding the world language program and pre-K at the Oakland Mills feeder schools.
- A survey is being launched to solicit input on the budget - input is solicited from all community members, (parents, teachers, etc.) so that the community has a stake in prioritizing what is funded.
- PTAs are asked to encourage members and school community members to complete the survey. (Called the Budget Survey, and I believe it went out in the HCPSS News email.)

Agenda Item: HoCo STEM Festival

6/5 - this is a free event, open to all HoCo residents, held at HCCC

stemulatingminds.com

Non-Agenda Item: Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance (AFPO) Task Force

The task force determines how much a school can go over capacity before controls are put in place to limit growth. There is a constant push/pull from the community - businesses advocate for an increase in capacity, for example.

The task force report and recommendations have been published, can be found on the Howard county government website.

- Affects schools for the next 10 years
- Also affects roads, police, firefighters , not just schools
- School capacity report section is 16.11.03

Agenda Item: Survey Results - Towanda Mitchell

The survey results are in regard to the survey about Advanced Placement classes and support needed for students to be successful in AP classes

91 responses

- 71 said their child does not need additional outside help (e.g. tutor)
- Based on responses, AP classes do not need additional tutors - although this is not what has been anecdotally reported by parents

As part of this agenda item, the upcoming hearing on Policy 8080 (Use of Technology) was addressed (the hearing is 5/12).

- The current policy was written largely by the superintendent and gives the superintendent power to implement the policy.
- PTA language was removed from the policy (language that asserted the superintendent must hold public hearings prior to changing the policy)
- The representative asked PTACHC to take a position against the policy as it is written. A motion was presented and passed.
- Anyone that wishes to speak at this hearing should contact the BOE.

It was noted that representatives are needed for the different Policy Committees. Anyone interested should contact PTACHC or their delegates.

Agenda Item: Vision 2018 Review/Update Session: Lauri Shropshire, Coordinator of Strategic Planning
This update focused on the social/emotional development of students, - that an aggressive academic schedule causes students to feel too much pressure. (Admittedly, I'm pretty weak on this section - this was not much of an update.)

Added to Agenda: Nomination Committee

A 3rd member was solicited, Donna Sudbrook volunteered. Members are Towanda Mitchell, Kim Flowers, and Donna Sudbrook. Anyone interested in any PTACHC position should contact someone from the nominating committee.

Agenda Item: Legislation, Donna Sudbrook.

Please see the attached document.

The MD PTA Convention is August 5-6.

Agenda Item: President's Report, Reg Avery

PTACHC is always looking for topics for next year. Delegates should communicate to their PTAs that PTACHC wants to make sure it is representing the PTAs, so please send topics/concerns.

Meeting Adjourned

Please consider attending the following regarding community development

Zoning Update for Harbin Property/Elm Street Development behind Michaels Way/
Postwick/Longview! Please consider attending to learn more about the exact plans for this development and to ask any questions. Testimony is not needed quite yet (that will be a separate hearing), but they are supposed to record any questions asked.

Meeting Information

Date: May 17 2016

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Bethany UMC - Fellowship Hall

2875 Bethany Lane

Ellicott City MD 21042

May 2, 2016

PTACHC Legislative Committee Report

submitted by Donna Sudbrook
Legislative Committee Chair
legislative@ptachc.org

Dates to Note:

1. Annual (101st) Maryland PTA Convention Friday/Saturday, August 5-6, 2016

at the DoubleTree Hilton, 8727 Colesville Road, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Go to <http://www.mdpta.org/> for all of the details and **to register** online or by mail. All PTA Members are welcomed, in addition to local unit voting members and officers. Convention fees are a legitimate expense for your local PTA unit. You can save money when you register early. **Early Bird registration ends May 31, 2016.**

Maryland PTA has planned an exciting and rewarding experience for you. Visit with other PTA Leaders, Exhibitors and Sponsors to learn new ways to build and maintain a successful PTA. Join us as we celebrate our Reflections, Membership and Council Award recipients. **To sign up to join the MDPTA email list**, go to www.mdpta.org, and page down to the bottom.

2. General Election: Tuesday, November 8, 2016 (polls open 7am - 8pm)

General Election Early Voting: Thurs, October 27 through Thurs, November 3, 2016 (polls open 8am until 8pm) Early Voting locations in Howard County are Miller Branch Library (Ellicott City), Bain Senior Center (Columbia), and Ridgely's Run Community Center (Jessup).

Close of Voter Registration: Tuesday, October 18, 2016 For details on where and how to register to vote (including online), go to the Maryland State Board of Elections website at http://elections.maryland.gov/voter_registration/index.html

Board of Education Candidates for General Election Tuesday, November 8, 2016

11 candidates filed to run for 3 (of 7) BOE seats that are up for election. 6 will proceed to the November General Election. 3 of the 6 will be elected to serve on the BOE in November. **The 6 below will proceed pending the official results to be announced May 6.**

Listed in Alphabetical order across.

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Committee Reports

Family Enrichment

Silvia Rocca

End of Year Picnic is scheduled for June 3rd 6:30-8:30

Family Enrichment committee has secured the DJ, a food truck, and we are working on pricing cupcakes. Drinks and chips will be sold.

Photo Booth is also being considered to commemorate WES 25th Anniversary

The PTA will present the 25th Anniversary plaque at the picnic, if it is completed

Yearbook Committee

Dani Boarman for Christy Houck

Sales are underway a blue flyer came home in student's folders. Deadline to order is May 20th

Questions? Photos of PTA or School Events to share? Email Christy Houck
cgmatthias@aol.com

New Business

There is a car line concern. The concern is that bus drivers may not be adhering to the stop sign when leaving school to turn onto Wetherburn.

It was brought up that the concern is not the bus drivers it is parents bypassing the car line. Some parents have been observed not staying in their place in the car line and try to pull ahead and at times cut off buses. Try to be more patient. With the upcoming construction, increased enrollment, school location, it is going to require patience and adherence to procedure from all members of the Waverly community.

Staffing next year:

Waverly has been given an additional position for 5th grade next year - so should be 6 teachers on the team.

4th grade will go down to 4 teachers next year.

3rd grade will have 5 teachers.

Enrollment numbers for kindergarten are still very low. If you know of anyone who has a student coming to Waverly for Kindergarten next fall, please strongly encourage them to enroll ASAP.

Adjourn