

## PTA General Meeting Minutes March 4<sup>th</sup> 2014

Welcome – President

PTA Minutes – approved

Treasurer's Report – will be released in next week's star new letter due to a family emergency with the Treasury

Administration Report (Mrs. DeCrispino)

- we have school on 3/31 (professional development day cxl)
- Please take the survey
- Anti-bully awareness week
- 3<sup>rd</sup> marking period ends on 3/28
- NEW MSA testing calendar due to snow (Mrs. Thompson)

Teacher's Report – Ms. Allen; Only 1 person came to the most recent Parent Tech Series. series topic was what a "Playlist" is. We can add a reminder to the weekly newsletter or she may do this as an online tutorial. We are already moving toward a "flipped classroom" where students prep for the next day's class rather than homework being a repeat of what they learned during that school day.

President's Report – Heather on behalf of Tad Russo – Join PTA Committee is doing a KIDS art and letter writing campaign.

Mrs. DeCrispino says that our school is 'funded' at this time. We are moving forward. The only challenge is a new café to make it a gym'atorium. This piece is not yet approved. That would cost about a \$1 Million. We are approved for a larger Café (addition) and a 9 classroom addition but we are still asking for approval of this gym'atorium. Open for the 4 projects due to OPEN 2016. Ours is the smallest project so we may open sooner. We should see blueprints either this spring or prior to the end of the school year.

### Committee Reports:

Nomination Committee – Erica, things are going super-duper well. We have a good slate at this time but still not presidential nominee.

Cupid Gram update – Patty Schwartz; Thanks to Jen & Kara best Cupid Grams ever.

Direct Donation Campaign – more information at next meeting for annual tally

Spirit Wear – Patty Schwartz; Thanks to Erica we are going to be able to see the removable WES car magnets

Box Tops – no update Bernie could not make it tonight

Food Nights – Yvette Chipotle made \$568.12 & Bob Evans made \$250(ish) Ms. Allen, Menton, and Haynes did a snow board for the Olympics crafts

Early April will be Chick Fil et

May 21<sup>st</sup> (Wednesday) will be Sweet Frog

Cultural – Christina is not able to be here tonight but the letter went into the Starnews

Kids Clubs – Jenn Taylor – would love some more help running this day to day next year

Beautification & Green School – Amy Kelly; They are looking for ideas and volunteers. May do a clean-up event around Earth Day right after spring break

Yearbook – no updates; pages are due to the publisher in April

Staff Appreciation – Trish could not be here

Membership – Kim; we are at 277 now. we are growing

Directory – Adobe next year

Book Fair / Book Night - Book night is still on per Marni Beyer. Bernie Moser will volunteer. Book fair will be in May.

Beach Night – no update

Movie Night – Amy; done until next fall

New Student – Amy; Kindergarten Round Up on April 9<sup>th</sup> – looking for volunteers

Parents Night – Amy; tickets on sale now. We have sold 64 tickets. We have TONS of prizes. Pandora bracelets, Capitals tickets, Crab Feast delivery, restaurant gift certificates, baskets, lunch with teachers, and more.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

- Camp Invention is coming back to WES per Ms. Allen flyers went home.

- “Girls on the Run” with 5K per Amy Kelly

- Broken Fire Hydrant has been broken for YEARS and that’s Baltimore County but we have 2 others which service the building. The broken one will be fixed with the addition or sooner.