

PTA Meeting – May 2, 2017

President's Report

- *We have an open position for our 2nd PTAC spot. This person will share with Lauren Giles.
- *The shade structure is complete! It looks great!!! It is up and not coming back down.
- *Our by-laws were approved by the state.
- *Popsicles on Playground on June 1st. The kindergarten teachers take care of this, but we can be there to give out information.
- *We will hand out popsicles for Field Day on May 16th. Look for the Sign Up Genius.
- *188 people came to Skate Night! 5th grade won with the most people. We earned \$708!
- * We are selling school supplies again. It was pointed out that in the past the glue sticks have been lousy. This year, all products in the kit will be name brands. This is just a service. We do not earn money on this. They donated for the auction. It's a good partnership.

Treasurers Report

- * The spring auction is not all in yet. We have a few that haven't paid. Several people paid with a check. We will have the final amount soon. It will be a little less than \$3,726 after we pay Pay Pal and 32 Auctions.
- *NO line item for Flower Fundraiser. We will be adding it soon.
- *No receipts from green committee. Hammond High School covered all costs.
- *We've begun to pay out the teachers. Mrs. V. will send an email out to the teachers reminding them to turn in their reimbursements with an attachment for them to fill in.
- *We paid the fifth grade field trip from their fundraisers. Bunnies and Chipotle made \$1,991.

Principal's Report

- *Dr. Foose is leaving. We don't have any answers of why. She left at 5:00PM. There will be an interim superintendent, who used to work in Howard County, Michael J. Martirano, Jen Renkevans taught his youngest child.
- *We are gearing up for the end of the year! Testing, due dates, and planning for next year. It's ON!!
- *Modified Lockdown happened last Friday. The parents appreciated how the school took care of the kids Everything was smooth. Parents thanked Dr. Varlack for the emails to let them know what was going on. – She commented that it was a little frustrating that so many parents called the school and jammed up the phone lines asking the same questions that were answered in the email. – Please don't call in a situation like that unless it is an emergency.
- *Fidgits are not allowed in school anymore.
- *Hafsa Naseer won Third place in the Reflections Contest in the county for Photography.

Teacher's Report

The kids love the shade structure. Thank you so much for making it happen.

PTAC

*Next time, the first Monday in June, will be elections for new PTAC officers.

*There was a presentation on IEQ. We were told schools can't open the windows. Dr. Varlack reminded us that we never have been allowed to open windows. She also said that IEQ will be back this month for an inspection.

Carnival –It's this Saturday. 12 – 3 Rain or Shine!

We've had lots of sponsors – 7 Eleven, Kids First Swim School, Leverage, A+ Math, Chick-fil-A, Play Date, Jamba Juice, Cinnabon, DJ Hobo, and the pit beef guy. Ticket Sales are low right now, but we will continue to sell them through Friday.

Variety Show – June 8

*Tryouts are May 10 and 12. Parents are signing up to audition. 44 acts auditioning.

*Dr. Varlack said it will be hard to fit it in during the school day, but June 12th should work. The PTA was going to check with the Strings to make sure they can do it.

Teacher Luncheon is this Thursday.

Green Team

*May 19th - Clean up of the rain garden.

*Green Team Won recertification after many hours of work! They will get awarded on May 18th.

Turn off the Screen Week is this week!

Fifth Grade

*Congressional Hearings are on Wednesday May 24. We will be decorating the day prior. Lauren Giles will be organizing the food for breakfast and lunch for the special visitors.

*May 23 – Trip to Middle School

*May 25 – Trip to Philadelphia

*Closing Ceremony – June 9th.

*PTA will buy t-shirts with a 17 on the back and all their signatures for \$6 for every fifth grader. We have already measured the kids. They will wear them for the Closing Ceremony.

*June 10 will be the dance. The kids will choose a theme. Amanda Fields will be in charge of the dance. It was suggested that they put the sign-in table inside the door. There should only be one door for the kids to come and go from.

*Amanda Giles shared her appreciation to the PTA. She explained that she had no idea how much the PTA supports the fifth graders in all they do.

Fundraising

*Flower Power – Made around \$1,164.

*Our idea for Boosterthon next year may not work out. Dr. Varlack got a principal's email saying that it is not going to be allowed. We are waiting to hear from Risk Management about whether or not if we can do it.

*Another idea of cookbooks for the fall was discussed. We even have a printer that is on the approved list of vendors to help us make these.

Dad's Club - An Orioles game is not looking good. The dates did not work out. How about Back to School with the Bay Sox?

Box Tops – Counting now. \$500 worth already counted... still counting... Contest winners will be announced. SkyZone – one per each grade. Pencils for everyone!

*Past money for Box Tops went to the PE team.

Spirit Wear will wait for the fall to do an order again. There was a question about getting shirts for the interns. Dr. Varlack has asked their office to go in with us to buy shirts, but they won't. It is too costly for our school to buy them. We decided that it would be very difficult to pre-order sizes. We are hoping to use the 25 year Anniversary logo!

Yearbook – Orders are done. It should be in by the last week of May.

June 6th – Parent Volunteer Luncheon - All are invited! This is a meal provided by the teachers for all of our volunteers!

Next Meeting will be on June 6th at 7:00. Refreshments will be served to thank all of our PTA Volunteers.