

**PMES PTA**  
General Membership Meeting  
Minutes  
03/26/2018 – 7:00 PM – PMES Media Center



*Attendance: Danielle Spigler, Mandi White, Shannon Anoaia, Sarah Penney, Karen Jankowiak, Marcia Fithian, Steven Faulkner, Renee Mann, Tara Recor, Lynne McMennamin, Lorien Covelly, Dr. Peter Carpenter*

- Call to order 7:05pm
  - Introductions
  - Established quorum
  - Minutes from January 18, 2018 approved (motion by Lynne McMennamin & seconded by Renee Mann)
    - Reminder that all documents from all meetings on PTA website, “Documents” tab.
- Treasurer’s Report – Mandi White
  - Bingo was very successful and helped with the deficit from Laps for Learning.
  - Recent expenses show money paid out for -
    - 5<sup>th</sup> grade field trips and busses
    - Brandywine bus for 4<sup>th</sup> grade
    - Enrichment books for Gifted and Talented program
    - New digital thermometer for Nurse Michel
- President’s Report – Danielle Spigler
  - We had lots of volunteers for the Bingo Fundraiser, both adults and students from John Carroll, Bel Air High and CMW High. C Milton Wright was very accommodating for our event. The custodial staff helped tremendously.
  - Muffins with Misses and Donuts with Dudes – Everything went smoothly given the hiccups with the weather that week. Michelle Davis did a terrific job.
  - International Night was very well attended and Daniele LaMotte did a great job heading that up.
  - The Little Sweethearts Dance was fantastic and we had an unbelievable number of volunteers who assisted with the event. Mandi White did a great job coordinating the entire dance.
  - The Founder’s Day Dinner has been rescheduled due to the snow storm. The new date will be 4/5/18.
  - We are still looking for candidates to shadow Danielle as we’ll need a new PTA President as of 6/30.
- Vice President/Membership Report – Sarah Penney
  - Membership is up by 3 since last report. (1 new family and 1 staff member) We are well above our goal.
- Secretary Report – Shannon Anoaia
  - Nothing to report
- Principal’s Report – Mrs. Jankowiak
  - Thank you to everyone for commitment, dedication and hard work.
  - I truly appreciate the effort that went into these recent events -
    - The Staff Luncheon (2/16) was fabulous and all our teachers felt truly appreciated. Thank you.
    - The Little Sweethearts Dance (2/23) was absolutely perfect! All the feedback I received was extremely positive and I greatly enjoyed the interaction with our families and students.
    - Everyone also did a terrific job with the Bingo Fundraiser (3/16). It was a great experience and was perfectly executed.
  - I wanted to introduce Mrs. Covelly, our Instructional Facilitator. She is an integral part of our school family here. She works directly with me and our new teachers to ensure they have all the resources necessary to enhance their growth as educators. When in classrooms doing observations, we are often checking on things like preparation and instruction. We were in 85% of our classrooms by November of 2017 and expect to finish with all classrooms by the end of next week. These observations occur every year for three years until a teacher receives tenure with HCPS. Our teachers truly appreciate her presence and her helpful direction. Elementary school teachers need to be generalists in all subjects so having an Instructional Facilitator is definitely needed.
  - Family Math night has been rescheduled for 4/18.
  - Kindergarten registration will be held on 5/4. The PTA is welcome to attend.
    - There will be no Kindergarten boundary exceptions for the 2018-2019 school year.

- We are incorporating a new initiative for Kindergarteners in which we will give them three opportunities to gain exposure to their new school and their teachers prior to the start of school in September. We are hopeful that this will help ease their transition into school.
    - The 1<sup>st</sup> will be at registration on 5/4
    - The 2<sup>nd</sup> will be at Kindergarten Welcome Night in June (school sponsored event)
    - The 3<sup>rd</sup> will be at the Kindergarten Playdate in August (PTA sponsored event)
  - Report cards will be coming home April 20th.
- Assistant Principal Report: Mrs. Marcia Fithian
  - PARCC Testing will begin on 4/16. Letters went home to all 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students regarding these dates.
    - All testing will now be done online. This is the first year that 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade will be joining in the online testing.
- Teacher Report: None Present
- Committee Reports
  - Reflections: Danielle Spigler for Nicole Moaddel
    - We had no state entries moving on to National for Reflections, but several placed at State.
    - There will be a breakfast tomorrow morning 3/27 for all participants.
  - Talent Show: Danielle Spigler for Joanie Hare
    - Will be held in May.
    - Paper registration went home recently. No in person registration/auditions this year.
    - Forms & details available on website.
  - Box Tops/Ink Recycling: Danielle Spigler for Tammy Webber
    - Box Tops are done for the year. Please keep saving them for our next drive in the 2018-2019 school year.
    - Shoparoo – we are closing in on \$400 for our PTA so far, but our year will continue through August so keep snapping pictures of your receipts. We are hoping to hit \$800 by year's end.
  - Yearbook: Danielle Spigler
    - Yearbook is almost done. We are currently finalizing pictures.
    - Online ordering is still open. \$20 for preorders, price increases to \$25 when they arrive.
  - International Night: Danielle Spigler for Daniele LaMotte
    - International Night was very well attended and Daniele LaMotte did a great job heading that up.
  - Sweethearts Dance: Mandi White
    - The dance sold out in less than a week
    - We believe all the logistics worked out well and are grateful for all the volunteer and custodial assistance.
    - We will be holding another event next year
  - Donuts with Dudes/Muffins with Misses: Danielle Spigler for Michelle Davis
    - Everything went smoothly given the hiccups with the weather that week. Michelle Davis did a terrific job.
  - Bingo: Danielle Spigler
    - Bingo was a huge success
    - We had 20 baskets that were given away, each valued at \$200-\$300. Concessions, raffles, 50/50 and our specials games brought in a huge amount of money as well.
    - We are grateful for all the outside sponsorships we received too.
  - Staff Appreciation: Danielle Spigler for Lauryn Seufert
    - The luncheon on Feb 16<sup>th</sup> went very well.
    - Lauryn will be heading up the rest of the Staff Appreciation Week events in May. Stay tuned for details and requests for help.
- Closing remarks: Danielle Spigler
  - All PTA meetings are held in Media Center at 7pm, unless otherwise noted. Next Meeting: 5/17/18

Adjourned at 7:40 PM followed by **special presentation by Mrs. Tara Recor. Link on PTA website.**  
Respectfully submitted by Shannon Anoaia