

**Hyattsville Elementary School PTA  
General Meeting Minutes  
May 2, 2017, 7:00 pm - HES Library**

Introduction - going around introducing ourselves and our kids

**Teacher Appreciation - May 8-12th: HES 7:00pm**

- Sunday May 7th please join us at 2pm meet outside to help make chalk designs to thank the teachers
- Mary, Z, and Stephanie are organizing. Growing Plant Theme
- - Monday May 8th - bring a breakfast treat to the teacher's lounge
  - Tuesday, May 9 - bring a flower to your teacher/staff
  - Wed. May 10 - Bring a piece of fruit to your teacher/staff
  - Thursday May 11 - Write a Thank You note for your teachers
  - Friday, May 12 - Bring a breakfast treat to the Teacher's Lounge
- Remember the specials teachers, ESL, etc when making contributions
- We have about 48 teachers and 64 total staff members at the school
- Grab and go breakfast stuff is good

**Finger Printing - Thursday May 11th HES 4pm-6pm**

- They will do the training and then the finger printing after
- If you want to do this you must be at the school at 4pm for the training session
- If you haven't completed the form you must be at the school by 3:30 that day to fill them out
- This is only for parents who have not previously been finger printed
- Ms. Penate has the forms to fill out and you can give them to her
- Ms. Penate will find out if on-line registration is available
- Ms. Penate will clarify the language in the flyer to make it clear that:
  - you have to be there right at 4pm
  - to clarify why you would want to be fingerprinted vs the back-ground check
  - you need to fill out the form ahead of time or else show up early
  - Ms. Penate will have the forms or they can be downloaded from the website

**Native Plant Sale & Assembly and installation of picnic tables and bench - May 20th, HES**

- Important community event
- Big fund raiser for HES PTA
- Sign up sheet for volunteers - helping with the sales and cutting things up, etc
- We'll also be assembling and installing the picnic tables and the bench on this day
- Note you pay less than at home depot for this stuff
- Ken Williams has a sign that references where the money goes
- Kevin and Mary to talk about signs offline

### **Field Days**

- 5th grade - 5/16
- 4th grade - 5/18
- K and 1st grade - 5/23
- 2nd and 3rd 5/25
- As far as we understand, you can volunteer at field day without fingerprinting (with just a background check) so long as you are not alone with kids. Please volunteer to help! You can volunteer even if your child is not participating that day.
- The PTA is getting boxed lunches from Jason's Deli (Thanks Kevin!)
- Ms. Roy can work to communicate the numbers of staff, teachers and volunteers with Kevin

### **Zombie Run Update - Saturday September 30th**

- Working on sponsorship, t-shirt design, etc

### **First in Math**

- Ms. Roy volunteers to find the information about it and send it to us, just to make parents aware of the programs
- Marquisha to follow up to see if Ms. Bey can send out a remind about

### **Budget Update**

- Message from Principal Bey - she was sick, unable to stay for the PTA Meeting
- Good News! We got approval for a Full Time Media / Maker Space Position
  - This person will be part of the TAG pull out
  - Grades 2-3 creative capers
  - Grades 4-5 maker space
  - TAG program at the school isn't changing from TAG in the classroom, this is just an enhancement
- Mary Ricci (the county's TAG supervisor) will be at the June 6th PTA Meeting
  - She'll discuss the TAG program in the county and in the school
  - She'll be there to answer questions anyone may have

### **End of Year Teacher Lunch**

- Last Friday of School - Friday June 9th - we'll have a lunch for the teachers and looking for parents to help out with that (Mary)

### **Camp Invention - June 19-23**

- Forms going out next Monday to selected students
- you have the option not to check information you're not comfortable divulging
- no aftercare, ends at 3pm

### **Honor Roll Assemblies**

May 8th

3rd grade 8:30-9:10

4th grade 9:20-10:00

May 9th

5th grade 8:15 - 8:55

2nd grade 9:00 - 9:40

### **NED assemblies**

#### **Picture Day - Group Picture and Casual Pictures**

- Group pictures must be paid in advance (the envelope)

#### **Parade**

- Was a success
- Ms. Monjes class won (yeah) and Ms. Entwistle class came in 2nd