

H.B. duPont Middle School  
PTA Meeting Minutes for January 17, 2012  
Called to order 7:07 pm by John Mason

Minutes from the November PTA meeting and Executive Board and Committee Chair meeting were approved.

Dr. Carmack presented a proposal from Mr. Bastianelli requesting help providing incentives for the Achieve 3000 computer-based reading program. He is proposing pizza parties and entries for gift cards. A motion was made by Mandy Gonye to use the Allstate grant money to reimburse for expenses up to \$1,000. All in favor, except 1.

Dr. Carmack is planning to propose a rotating block schedule with an H.B. period and shorter exploratories to Red Clay. The teachers will receive training on block schedules. Dr. Carmack reminded us of the February 28 referendum. He also said that there are six teachers out and he is doing his best to get qualified subs and fair grading for the students affected.

Kelly Piatt was at the State PTA meeting but wanted to thank those who got trained in common core standards.

Kristy Adkins reviewed the treasurer's report.

#### VP Reports

Candy McDermott –

- Spirit Wear – Out of size small blue pullover hoodies. Will order more in spring. Ordered some small gray. Still receiving several orders a week. Have received 100<sup>th</sup> PayPal order.
- Coupon Book - Made about \$3,000. Many books not returned. May need new chair and/or fundraiser for next year.
- Reflections - Entries have been collected. Thank you to Ms. Botta for making this an assignment. Not all categories had entries this year.
- Semi-Formal - January 20 in the cafeteria, \$10, includes food.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Social - January 27, in the gym.

Kim Hoeschel -

- Staff Appreciation - Received thank you note from teachers for December luncheon. Appetizers and desserts needed for February 2.
- Product Incentives - Box Tops contest ending 2/15. Counting party 2/22. Friendlys nights have brought in almost \$400.
- Kids Who Care - Currently collecting books. Will be working with Faithful Friends and having a clean-up event. Featured in Red Clay video footage.
- Ladies Night - Moved to March 8 due to schedule conflict. \$30 per person includes dinner, raffle, silent auction, and fashion show.
- Book Fair - Set up on Feb. 17; take down on Feb. 27 in auditorium.
- Membership - Currently 229 members.

#### President Reports

- Landscaping - Meeting in March
- Parent commented that the PTA meeting time needs to be on website.
- Culture and Climate - On an individual basis so far

Michelle Amin made a Keep the Drive presentation associated with the grant of \$1,000.

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm  
Next meeting is February 21, 2012  
Donna McCarter, Secretary