

HB DuPont Middle School

PTA Meeting Minutes for March 13, 2018.

The meeting was called to order by Donna Stack at 7:01 pm.

The minutes for the February 6, 2018 meeting were presented by Deanna Blanchard. The minutes were accepted without addition or correction.

Principal's Report- Jason Bastianelli

- Welcome to everyone
- Staff members were recognized for their attendance - Jones, Palma, Mathews, Talmo, Rupert
- HB & Meadowood have a great partnership. 2 events were recently held to spotlight that connection - No One Eats Alone & Spread the Word to End the Word. Sock Your Socks Day is March 21.
- Congratulations to district champs boys basketball! Game was well-attended with great school spirit!
- Spring sports have started.
- Aladdin Jr. was a great success. Thank you for supporting our students.
- The Vibe Tribe's guest bartender event was very well attended. Even Dr. Daugherty dropped by. Thank you for supporting our faculty and staff.
- Cafe of the Arts will be March 28.
- Walkout Across America will be held tomorrow, March 14. Student leaders have helped organize the event with guidance from the administration. Teachers will continue teaching during the walk out to respect the message the students are making. 8th grade teachers will monitor the event during their planning period.
- Phelan Lucky day is Friday, 3/16.
- Counselor's Corner - Mrs. Matthews
 - 8th grade Career Day will be held on March 29. Community members slated to facilitate sessions: Att. General Matt Denn, different representatives from police departments, dentist, NASA finance, animal hospital representative, chemical engineer, personal trainer, former NFL-player, cosmetologist, automotive technician, pastry chef, military representative, UD IT. Still need architect & doctor/nurse.
 - Mrs. Trout and 3 counselors will be trained this week to sign working papers.
- Testing Information - Mrs. Palma
 - PSAT will be administered to 8th graders on April 10
 - Pearson science & social studies field testing will be administered to 7th & 8th
 - 7th SS - May 16-17
 - 8th science - May 21-22
 - Smarter Balanced Assessments -
 - 8th - week of April 16th
 - 7th - week of April 23rd
 - 6th - week of April 30th
 - Additionally, Math Inventory, Reading Inventory, Spanish AP credit, & ICILS will be administered to some students.

President's Report- Donna Stack

- Nominating committee members NEEDED! Jen Lutes & Kelly Coffey are heading up the committee to recruit nominees.
- Academic Club grants for be available for the spring. 3 \$200 grants will be available. Look for applications.
- School Board meeting, 3/21, 7pm at Warner Elementary
- FACE of Red Clay parent workshop, 4/16, 5:45 at Warner Elementary
- DE PTA annual convention, 4/28, 9am-4pm at St George's HS, Middletown.

Treasurer's Report- Jen Wooten

- Budget balance sheet given, all up to date

Membership Report- Ann Pollock

- Currently 202 members.

1st VP Report- Fundraising- Kelly Coffey

- Book Fair - Deanna Blanchard. Book Fair begins Monday with set-up and a soft open. Idea to have snacks from surplus for students who visit Fair Monday. ELA class visits begin Tuesday with 7th grade. Sign up is filling, but volunteers are especially needed for early Wednesday and Thursday during Pasta Dinner.
- Pasta Night - Jen Wooten. 80 registered so far. Volunteers are still needed to run the event. Teachers would be great workers! 3 elementary feeder schools have been invited.
- Warrior Fund - emphasis during Family Pasta Night focusing on Outdoor Classroom.
- Product Incentives - box tops totaling \$250 were collected during the February emphasis, Zingo's receipts going in soon.
- Empty Bowls - Mary Kay Woodruff & Nancy Culley. Plans are ongoing, including restaurant donations.

2nd VP Report- Student Events- Mary Kay Woodruff

- 6th/7th grade dance was a huge success. 174 students attended.
- 8th grade formal - Patricia Mathews & Wendy Eastman-Teal. Luau-beach theme. The dance will be held on May 11th.
- Skate Night - HB made \$146, 42 students attended.

3rd VP Report-Staff and Student Report- Jennifer Lutes

- Staff Appreciation - Stephanie Clatworthy & Holly Gilmartin. Drink cart coming up.
- Student Recognition - Jen Lutes . Distinguished Honors ceremony for 2nd marking period was held. Students enjoyed building structures with gumdrops and pasta.

Important Upcoming Dates

March 19-23 Book Fair
March 30-April 6 Spring Break
May 9 PTA Day in Dover
June 1 8th grade Pool Party
Meeting adjourned at 8:12pm

March 22 Family Pasta Night
April 28 State PTA Convention
May 11 8th grade Semi Formal
June 6 8th grade Moving Up - Dickinson HS

Minutes submitted by Deanna Blanchard