

## **PTA Meeting Minutes**

Thoreau Middle School

April 28, 2014

Attendees: Mr. Hood, Beth Eachus, Becky Allison, Anne-Stuart Kirkhorn, Erin Kane, Amy Masters, Jane Miscavage, Patty Shields, Connie Grigson, Tara MacCall, Michelle Kang,

The meeting was called to order at 7:35pm

### **President's Report - Beth Eachus**

- Jane Miscavage introduced as new PTA president
- Fri May 2<sup>nd</sup> – big day to give back.
  - Mayor Lori DiRocco will be here for part of the day
  - Food will be donated all day to Food for Others
  - Funds raised will be used for an additional Ipad cart for the school
  - Students will earn tickets for a drawing of prizes. Prizes for \$\$ raised and laps run – 4 top runners get gift cards. All running will take place during PE classes. Rain date is Monday May 5<sup>th</sup>.
  - Make the cut – 2 stylists are coming – 20 students signed up so far
- Waiting to finalize details for the brick fundraiser – design, location, and cost

Minutes from March are approved as written

### **Principals Report – Mr. Hood**

- Gym one and locker rooms going away next week to the renovations
- Trees up front had to go to redesign parking but LOTS of new trees will be added
- Back exits blocked off to keep kids out of the construction area
- Kids adjusting well
- Minimal disruption to the classrooms
- Should have about 830 students next year compared to 850 this year
- Great news – 4 students – Katie DiFrancisco Chris Padgett, Wade Gallagher and Spencer Parker – received a plaque for the School of the Future design competition sponsored by VA Dept. of Ed and will travel to Atlanta
- Training on restorative justice seminar for staff. What do you do to restore the 'victim'?

### **Treasurer's Report – Erin Kane**

- Little change this month
- All is posted on the website
- Some students will receive some financial assistance with the music trip

### **School Store – Patty Shields**

- Order forms out to the rising 7<sup>th</sup> graders for tee shirts – due end of next week should have by end of May

### **School Garden – Liz DiFrancisco**

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- Come help in the courtyard – Wednesdays at 10am

### **Hospitality –**

- May is teacher appreciation week. More info on enews

### **8<sup>th</sup> grade dance -**

- Working on venue
- Date will be June 6<sup>th</sup>
- Parent will be a DJ

### **New Business--**

- Slate for next year:
  - President – Jane Miscavage
  - VP – Anne-Stuart Kirkhorn
  - Treasurer – Kathy Rusinski
  - Secretary – Connie Bowen
- Will vote at lunch at Navy Fed – date TBD

### **Fresh Food Initiative –** putting together plan next week

- Trying to have a station similar to Marshall HS

Add income budget line item for the run a thon of \$5,000. A motion was made by Anne-Stuart Kirkhorn and seconded by Patty Shields. Vote passed

Next and final meeting will be a Navy Fed CU to install new officers

Meeting adjourned at 8:35am