

# BATES PTA General Meeting Minutes

**April 20, 2018**

**Call to Order: 8:33 AM with Welcome by Stacy Smith**

## PTA Business

A motion was made by Kathy Milio to approve meeting minutes from February 2018. Seconded by Jessica Farrar. Meeting minutes approved.

## Treasurers Report & Budget Review

- Jen Macris made a motion to reallocate Community Events \$1500. Jessica Farrar seconded. Approved by General Membership.
- We discussed Club funds and decided the remaining will not be used should be moved to PTA Programs. Motion was made by Jessica Farrar. Seconded by Deirdre Ralph. Approved by General Membership.
- We discussed the need for a Principal Fund. A motion was made by Cornelia Wikar to allocate \$500. Seconded by Jessica Farrar. Approved by General Membership.

## Upcoming Events and PTA Programs:

- Last Honor Roll is next Tuesday 4/24.
- Teacher Appreciation.
  - Lounge complete.
  - Volunteers 5/7-5/11. Lunch is Tuesday 5/8. Set up, during, and cleaning. Sign up genius will go out next week.
- Raffle closed out with just over \$3200 in sales. We need 1-2 parents to take on this event to continue next year.
- Raffle funds raised to cover Field Day which is scheduled for 6/1. More to come from the P.E department.
- School Store – Donations needed
- Uniform Exchange – washers
- Board Member Positions: Looking to fill President, Treasurer, and Recording Secretary.

## Speakers

### Earth Day | Green Day Celebration (Ms. Cochran)

- Plastic repurposing.
- Vertical Garden to community.
- Trash Fashion
- National Geo. Explorer - Dr. Brady Bar
- Thank you to the PTA for helping fund the day.

## Media

- Ice Skating Field Trip for Black Eyed Susan (35 books) – 18
- Thank you to PTA for sponsoring March Madness reading event. Breakfast Celebration.

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## Science

- Thank you to the PTA for sponsoring Garden.
- Science Awards for County Winners.

## Guidance

- Monday – Assembly on appreciating diversity, kindness, bullying. Improvements from last year. Focusing on kindness. Community Circles.
- Thank you to Arts Integration. Counselors attended a training on how to use art to express emotions.

## Math

- PARCC starts next Wed. Total school schedule not changing. Testing on the computer.
- PARCC 6/7 need to achieve 3,4,5 to remain in Accelerated Class.
- PARCC 8 need to achieve 3,4,5 (changing in 2 years to 4,5).
- Math help days and workshops. Field trip to zoo for anyone who participated.
- Used funds for collaborative math tools.
- Math Boosters Algebra Help Day 4/21 and 5/5. (9-11)

## Arts Integration

- Teacher Paint Night
- Idea for the PTA next year Paint Night fundraiser
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade Science to MD Hall (video art exhibit through 5/5 Glistening Nature)

## Amy Beller

- Future History Panels for MD Hall
- Thank you to Food Pantry (continue Amazon list). 50 “regulars.” Start with homeless list then Backpack Buddies list. No restrictions from MD Food Bank on who can access the Bates Food Pantry.
- Grant Request coming to PTA for Cooking Club. In partnership with AAMC, we’d like to teach kids to use the food available in the pantry.

## Mr. DeRoo

- Mr. DeRoo reiterated thanks and highlighted a few programs mentioned above. He also noted that the Dance Teams were great last night.

## **Feeder School News**

AHS - New Show this weekend. The Drowsy Chaperone. Fri/Sat 7pm. Sun 2pm. Tickets online or at the door.

## **Adjournment:**

Meeting Adjourned 9:45 am.