**Dillard Drive Magnet Middle School   
PTA Meeting   
March 16, 2023**

* Meeting called to order at 6:01pm
  + Motion – Mr. Lowry
  + Second – K. Marshall
* Approval of February meeting minutes:
  + Motion – A. Williams
  + Second – M. Pettaway
* Treasurer’s Report (given by Lesley in Shannon Szymborski’s absence)
  + Balance forward: $46,885.48
  + Recently purchased poster printer for staff that we voted on previously.
  + New vote tonight: Calculators (scientific-graphic) for students for $5,000 and new Student Services Center furniture for $2,000 (shipping buffer included in this total)
    - VOTE: Approved (yays won, none opposed)
* Membership Report – Sarah Wohldmann
  + Currently at 195 members (41 of this are staff)
* Advocacy/DEI –
  + No report
* Hospitality – Jennifer Hayes
  + Upcoming staff luncheon is Tuesday, March 28. March Madness theme with pizza, wings and popcorn bar. Signup sent out already, still asking for volunteers/popcorn/monetary donations – please help if you can!
  + Teacher Appreciation Week – coming up first week of May. Celebration being planned to help celebrate DDMMS staff. Help is needed with thank you cards and goody bags. Signup coming soon in early April.
    - Also a catered luncheon is being planned – looking for restaurant suggestions for catering. Reach out to Jennifer Hayes with any leads/ideas.
  + Social Worker Appreciation week is next week (3/20-3/24). Lunch will be purchased for Ms. VanOostrum-Reed; however, if you’d like to send in a candy bar or thank you card – that would be much appreciated.
  + CALL FOR HELP: Looking for extra hands on the hospitality committee to help as co-chair. Reach out to Jennifer Hayes if interested.
* Grounds – Nadia Bosch
  + Grounds cleanup date and details coming soon
* Audit – Lesley Ireland provided update
  + Ms. Feldman working with audit team to ensure we are compliant. Report forthcoming
* Fundraising – Allison
  + Chipotle event next week, Tuesday March 21. Order online option with code (***969LQPX***) or show flyer in restaurant
* Open PTA positions – Help needed!
  + Spirit Wear coordinator
  + Global PTA coordinator – this position works with Mrs. Feldman on magnet projects/initiatives
  + Board positions for next year will be opening up as well
* Principal’s report (Mr. Lowry in for Mrs. Feldman as she attends 8th grade field trip in DC)
  + Successful field trips this year for students (7th graders – Greensboro science museum, 8th graders – currently in Washington, DC, 6th graders off tomorrow to Myrtle Beach for medieval times)
  + Just Do It challenge going on now for students seen exhibiting core values. When seen exhibiting a core value, those students will receive a ticket for a drawing to win a pair of cool sneakers. This will help keep students engaged as there is a long stretch between winter break and spring break.
  + Spring Sports have started – everyone working hard to prepare for a successful season
  + End of year tests start June 1 – asking parents to hold off on appointments, vacations during this time as it is critical for students to be present for the end of year testing
  + Please participate in Superintendent survey as our current one is retiring
  + Tomorrow we will have a St. Patrick’s Day celebration – students encouraged to wear green on Friday, 3/17
  + Global Marketplace is coming up on March 24. Ms. Simmons needs help in hospitality room to replenish food, beverages for our guest speakers. While there are speakers signed up, there is always a need for additional speakers with global experience. Contact Ms. Simmons at [lesimmons@wcpss.net](mailto:lesimmons@wcpss.net)
  + Book Fair funds come to us in scholastic dollars that are used to purchase supplies or additional books. We had a bank of scholastic dollars from last year that hasn’t been used yet plus what we earned in the Fall this year. PTA Board met with Ms. Feldmann to come up with ways to spend scholastic dollars. More info to come on final decisions but we have exciting ideas right now.
* Meeting adjourned at 6:28pm (M. Pettaway: motion and N. Wellman: 2nd)

**Attendance:**

1. Bryce Norton
2. Kari Kouba
3. Nadia Bosch
4. JC Astudillo
5. Laura Simmons
6. Jessica Johnson
7. Jennifer Hayes
8. Jaimee Baron
9. Sarah Wohldmann
10. Lesley Ireland
11. Kristy Marshall
12. Aprille Loflin
13. Ashley Williams
14. Desiree Bolibaugh
15. Ed Gilewicz
16. Erin Beeler
17. Gennilee Jackson
18. Kerry Williams
19. Laura Cernik
20. Lisa Ashworth
21. Louise O’Brien
22. Maulies Pettaway
23. Nicole Wellman
24. Richard Cole
25. Sara Pettaway