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| <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Upcoming Dates</u></p> <p>March 18- PTA Movie Night March 23- Dining Out- McDonalds March 29- Prospective Parent Tour March 31- 2 hour early dismissal April 5- Applications pre-k/k starts! April 11- Science Fair Due April 12- Next PTA meeting</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Hillsmere Elementary School PTA 410-222-1622 <i>Together we WILL make a difference!</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">PTA Meeting Agenda March 8, 2011 HES Media Center</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Notes/ Action Items</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>*Box Tops - we submitted \$170 in Feb, along with \$147 in December will be about \$320 in a check to the school in May.</u> • <u>*Giant hasn't update total from last month yet, still shows \$1480.</u> • <u>*Safeway, from August \$350...though the checks are about 6 months behind</u> • <u>*Campbell's labels - 6,696 points - plus I have about 1,700 point to bank at home</u> • <u>PTA FAMILY FUN DANCE was a blast...thank you to all helpers and especially Jennifer Shearer and Monica Lynch</u> • <u>We NEED a Treasurer for next year! Melissa's term is up and can not be renewed- and the PTA can not work without a Treasurer...please consider and can look over Melissa's shoulder during a mtg to see what is involved!!!</u> | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Agenda</u></p> <p>7:00 Call to Order: 7:03 Jenn Barrett- Welcome Ms. Wagner- Test Anxiety (7 min) MSA, etc... Call me or the Guidance Counselor, Mrs. Brown, if you'd like more information.</p> <p>7:07 Roll Call (Sonja) No new members or first time meetings...</p> <p>7:08 Minutes Approval- They are not posted yet. Debbi motioned to approve them and Kathi seconded</p> <p>7:09 President's Report: Jenn-(2 min) (Please read notes section)- Point of Mtg's</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Action Items on left of agenda - I wrote a message to you about running meetings more efficiently. See attached - <p>7:11 Treasurer's Report: Melissa (5 min) There is no art club so a motion will be made to move the money to Robotics. See attached reports.</p> <p>7:16 Principal's Report: Ms. Wagner (10 min) Movie and snacks everyday and the first and second graders wrote notes to the 3,4,5th grade teachers. Hillsmere will now be a closed school. If people are not living in the Hillsmere school district you can not come here. If an out of area is here now, as long as attendance and behavior is good then they can stay as well as up coming siblings. Early dismissal 2 hour March 31 Overnight at Arlington Echo- Grade 3 and 5 Next year only 4th grade kids will be invited</p> |

overnight.

Movie night 6:30 doors open, 7:00 Despicable me
Spirit Day- pajama day- April 1st

Pre-K has changed... Only level 1 (very disadvantaged), 2 (low birth-weight and asthma and other physical disadvantages), 3 (everyone else- will be told Sept 15) students can get into Pre-K. ELL students get automatically bussed to Tyler Heights where they have ELL teachers.

Maritime Museum- great influence here- water, oysters, 2nd and 3rd are doing 2 afternoons a week- Pre-K learned habitat of oyster- 4th grade will do something in the Spring.

Next year is challenging due to new reading program in county- k-5 in every school- as with any new program there will be a learning curve- there will be training beginning in the summer. If you sense struggle in your kids or not enough struggle let Ms. Wagner know. "Treasures" may be the name? Lot's of technology, student engagement and rotating groups. Ask teachers to think of ways that parents might be trained to help...

Tomorrow I get the preliminary numbers for next year's staffing. We lost AAA so we will only have one reading teacher next year as we don't have enough poverty

7:26 Committee Reports:

- Tech Fund (Judi)- 7 min – Mulch- flyers came home last week- order mulch- get your neighbors to do so. Order are due by March 18th and pick-up is March 26th at BruMar 9am-11am- We need strong people to help load the mulch at Bru Mar.
- Recycle America program is still going- we just got \$200+ for sending electronics in
- Volunteer Coordinators (Angie)- 5 min – Get in your hours- If you log into the school it is already logged. But keep your dates of things you do at home, etc... Keep track as you volunteer- maybe write a note on your calendar- and send it in each month. The school board will recognize hours served. A blurb will be put in the Buzz about this so that you go back and count from APRIL 16

LAST YEAR. SENT OUT A RE-RECRUITING LETTER AND MATERIALS REQUEST.

- Some teachers need more recess equipment... like jumprobes and ask your teacher what type of recess equip they need.
- CAC info (Angie)- 7 min. – We have had representatives on the CAC but we have not had our own Hillsmere CAC committee- This is a way to look at program and curriculum and anyone who wants to join this committee we will meet immediately after this meeting . This is our voice to the board of ed.
- Political Update (Angie)- 7 min- - Please say your own thing, but here are some ideas you can use to send letters to your Council member- See attached... All contacts for the county are here Be a squeaky wheel- People are not talking to the school board yet- if we start talking they may hear us... at the last board meeting they had only 66 comments on the budget... If each of us sends one email- Remember Jeff Macris advocates for all of the schools.
- Robotics (Janet)- 5 min – We finished the winter session and the kids made 6 different robot models and was wildly successful. There was a hope to offer a beginning session on April 8th – but we don't have enough instructors. Has the Hillsmere community gotten used to a small group of people running the programs and are not willing to join? Naval Academy may have some volunteers-they can only help during the day not evenings.
- Landscape (Janet)- 7 min- no grants this time since we don't have enough volunteers to help put plants in the ground. There will be no school wide planting this school year as Ms Ferrer is not available to organize it- but if someone wants to offer to lead this for their own classroom then this is a good idea.

8:04 Unfinished Business: none

8:04 New Business: Make a motion for Robotics club to get \$400 added to it's budget and \$400 will be taken from the Art Club- Kathi motioned Janet seconded.

One more point- for the Robotics club, we charged a small fee of \$20 for the club- other schools charged a small fee for the Chess Club to pay a Chess master to run the chess club.

8:05 Meeting Adjourned at 7:49 Angie motioned

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