# Feb. 19, 2020 PTA Meeting Agenda

PTA: Hammond Elementary School PTA, General PTA Business Meeting

Date: February 19, 2020 Time: 7:00-8:00pm

- I. Call Meeting to Order: Leigh String Roll call, Introductions
- II. Approval of the minutes from Jan. 2019: Leigh String
- III. Reports of Officers
  - Treasurer's Report: Christie O'Brien
  - President's Report: Leigh String
    - o Looking towards March and PTA vacancies for next year
  - Membership Report: Fran Taylor
  - Administration Report: Mrs. Stoll
    - Thank you for staff appreciation lunch, FES welcome night went well, we have gained three more teachers for next year
    - Asked about redistricting numbers: Approx. 86 leaving HES and 140 coming from FES
    - Student teacher ratio has been increased for 2020-2021
      - *K changed from 1:22 to 1:24*
      - 1st/2nd changed from 1:21 to 1:26
      - 3rd/4th/5th changed from 1:27 to 1:32

### IV. Reports of Committees

- Staff Appreciation: February Teacher Conference Dinner
- Spirit Wear
  - o FREE SHIPPING February 28th March 16th
  - o https://www.hammondspiritwear.com
  - Suggestion made to collaborate with PE/Field Day t-shirts
- Volunteering
  - o Grade level sign-ups, Media Center support: http://www.hespta.org/vounteering.php
  - MEDIA CENTER: The media center has volunteer opportunities every day of the week! Even a half hour of your time can make a big difference at HES!
    - Monday <a href="http://bitly/HES\_MediaMonday">http://bitly/HES\_MediaMonday</a>
    - Tuesday <a href="http://bit.ly/HES\_MediaTuesday">http://bit.ly/HES\_MediaTuesday</a>
    - Wednesday <a href="http://bit.ly/HES\_MediaWednesday">http://bit.ly/HES\_MediaWednesday</a>
    - Thursday http://bit.ly/HES\_MediaThursday
    - Friday <a href="http://bit.ly/HES\_MediaFriday">http://bit.ly/HES\_MediaFriday</a>
- Restaurant Nights
  - o March 10th J&P Italian Restaurant ALL DAY dine in or carry out
  - March 24th Restaurant Night at Chipotle from 4-8pm NO ONLINE ORDERS
- Fundraising:
  - o Read-a-thon from March 2nd-March 13th
  - Skate Nights Quarter 3 & 4: Dates TBD soon
- Box Tops: Spring collection earned less than \$50
  - Need to re-evaluate how to make digital system work for us
  - Info on new system: http://www.boxtops4education.com
  - Looking for new committee chairperson next year
- Multicultural Night: March 27th

- PTACHC Delegate Report: Drew
- V. Old Business & Ongoing
  - Skate night: A fun event for all and raised \$582!
  - Art grant update sent from Sarah Fahrendorf:
    - March 9, 2020 PTA will welcome ukulele musician, Bryan Powell, DMA, as an Artist-in-Education guest to lead a week of ukulele instruction. Dr. Powell will work with all of our 632 students during their regular music class. Hammond Elementary School's PTA is sponsoring Dr. Powell's week-long residency and is also receiving grant support from the Howard County Arts Council (HCAC), through a grant from the Howard County Government.
    - PRIMARY GRADES ONLY volunteer sign up: bit.ly/HES\_Ukulele

#### VI. New Business:

- Read-a-thon fundraiser
- Ways to find and connect with friends:
  - http://www.hcpss.org/connect/
    - Family file/School Directory
      - >>School Directory
- Ways to support your child's learning
  - PreK: https://hcpss.instructure.com/courses/34453
  - Kindergarten: <a href="https://hcpss.instructure.com/courses/34447">https://hcpss.instructure.com/courses/34447</a>
  - o 1st grade: https://hcpss.instructure.com/courses/32029
  - o 2nd grade: <a href="https://hcpss.instructure.com/courses/34428">https://hcpss.instructure.com/courses/34428</a>
  - o 3rd grade: https://hcpss.instructure.com/courses/34429
  - 4th grade: https://hcpss.instructure.com/courses/34430
  - 5th grade: https://hcpss.instructure.com/courses/34431

### VII. Announcements:

- March 10th J&P Italian Restaurant ALL DAY dine in or carry out
- March 24th Restaurant Night at Chipotle from 4-8pm NO ONLINE ORDERS
- Other
  - Mrs. Stoll announced her early retirement ahead of an e-mail and letter to be sent home tomorrow. Her retirement will be effective Friday Feb. 28th. She asked if anyone wanted to do something, to have students pay it forward by doing something for others, and write her to tell her about it.

# VIII. Adjournment: Leigh String