

**Urbana Middle School PTSA
General Membership Hybrid Meeting Notes
Tuesday, January 10th, 2023 at 7:00 PM**

In Person Attendees:

Rachel White, PTSA

Alicia Remesz Guerrette, PTSA

Jessica Renner, PTSA

Preeti Menon, PTSA

Caroline Dutossi

Patty Hude

Angela Hudson

Rich Hudson

Jeff Lourinia

Scarlett Hudson

Ethan Hudson

Kena Desai

Blaire Guard

Zoom Attendees:

Angela Abrishami

Kim Kile

Dorothy Doyle

Welcome Remarks

- Welcome remarks by Rachel White, PTSA Vice President.
- Mr. Kibler is unable to attend today's meeting.

Present and Approve

- October 2022 Meeting Notes presented by Preeti Menon – Vote on the approval of the last general meeting minutes. The meeting minutes were published on the UMS PTSA website and emailed to PTSA membership ahead of the January meeting.
Meeting Notes Approval: Caroline Dutossi – motion to approve; Kena Desai – seconded the motion. All were in favor to approve.
- Treasurer's Report presented by Alicia Remesz Guerrette.
 - Filing Treasurer's report for December
 - Added approx. \$140 in membership dues and donations
 - Expenses included \$1,000 in PTA dues and \$112 for SGA/Student activities
 - Current balance: \$8,683

Online Safety for UMS families

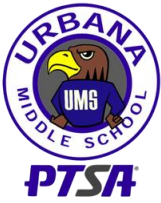
- Foundations of Internet Safety Session on January 22nd at 6 pm. Free session, registration required. Information shared on FOF and on UMS facebook page.
- Online Safety and Our Kids presentation for UMS students by Jeff Lourinia and Angela Graham. Session focuses on students' healthy use of media and mental health.



- Jeff Lourinia, U.S. Secret Service, trained by National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.
- An hour presentation which includes information and resources on online safety. The presentation is geared towards children based on age group.
- Consider giving a presentation during a health class.
- Parents are welcome to attend a session, Keeping Kids Safe, a community education session on online safety, taking place tomorrow from 3 – 6 pm at Scott Key Center. The session is in collaboration with Frederick Co DA's office.

Events & PTSA Committees

- Staff appreciation
 - Chaired by Elismary Rodriguez Carrasquillo
 - Committee members: Patty Hude and Bry Lou
- Membership committee - co-chaired by Rachel White and Alicia Remesz Guerrette
 - Membership – 221
 - Valentine's Day drive – Feb 14th, give candy at ELT
- Reflections - Chaired by Krissy Benson
 - Following students moved up to Frederick County level of the Reflections Program:
 - Arianie Dey 7th Grade - Visual Arts
 - Ankita Kashyap 6th Grade - Literature
 - Anya Khirbat 7th Grade - Visual Arts
 - Vrishabh Kolluru 7th Grade - Photography
 - Shriya Nandanavanam 6th Grade - Film Production
 - Vihaan Ruparel 7th Grade - Literature
 - Neel Singh-Miller 8th Grade - Music Composition
 - Amrutha Thalla 6th Grade - Literature
- Heritage Night (Mar 21, 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm) – Chaired by Kena Desai
 - Community event in partnership with UHS, CES, UES & SES.
 - Planning underway. Specific information regarding heritage night will be forthcoming.
- Trucks 'N Tunes (May 19, 5 pm – 7 pm) - Chaired by Jessica Renner
 - Three trucks – Grilled Cheese Please, Authentic Traditional Mexican, & Kona Ice
 - Pizza - \$1 donation per slice
 - Activities – Laser tag or gaming truck, carnival games, etc.
 - High schoolers to volunteer
- Spiritwear - Co-chaired by Angie McCloud and Caroline Altuner
 - Just did a pick up recently; next spiritwear in Spring time.



SGA – Student Gov't Association

- Winter Dance, Jan 27th 3:15 pm – 4:30 pm
- Permission slips must be signed and submitted to school by the 26th.
- Spirit Store

PTSA on Facebook and Twitter – information regarding PTSA activities and student related activities and information is shared on a regular basis on the UMS PTSA facebook and UMS Parents group. UMS PTSA has a twitter account to share general FCPS related information and follows Mr. Kibler and shares his tweets.

Questions/Comments

1. Dress code for Winter Dance – come as you are.

Adjournment: 8:04 pm

NEXT PTA MEETING: March 14th at 7:00 PM in UMS MEDIA CENTER & VIRTUAL