

**Springer Middle School PTA
General Membership Meeting
Tuesday, October 10, 2017 – 6:30 PM
Springer Middle School Library**

Call to Order Jason Heller at 6:35pm

Approval of September 11, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Special Presentation – Cyberbullying & Social Media (*Springer School Counselors*)
PowerPoint presentation to be added to Springer Website

Monthly Financial Report Kristine Woodruff – *see attached*

Liaison Reports:

- Principal's Report – *see attached*
- Teacher Liaison – to be selected
- Student Liaison – to be selected

President's Report –Jason Heller –

- BoE Meeting Recap: Vote to change the start date for the school year to after Labor Day beginning with the 2018-2019 school year
- I want to thank the three parents who quickly responded to our call to help with the 7th/8th Grade open house that we posted to Facebook - Pleshette Vonner, Amanda DeCapua and Kim Carlson
- I also wanted to thank the two parents who responded to our other Facebook call for help looking for a chairperson to coordinate our Fun Night. Shannon McKenna and Todd DeCapua have agreed to co-chair this event for us!
- New Springer Robotics team will be meeting from 5-7 every Thursday in the BHS STEM lab
- High school open house is Sunday
- On Nov 6 Councilman Bob Weiner will be hosting a citizen's maintenance day at the Talley Day County Bark Park behind the Brandywine Hundred Library at 10AM for anyone needing volunteer hours or service credits. I believe this is the 15th time Councilman Weiner has planned this event. It is expected to last 2-4 hours. If anyone has a group interested in going, please let me know so we can provide Councilman Weiner's office with an approximate number of volunteers to expect.
- **Friday, October 20th – The White House Band performs at Springer (7 p.m.) in a concert to help with Hurricane Relief.** Tickets are \$10 apiece and can be obtained by submitting an order for tickets to Mr. Baronio. Checks are to be made payable to Springer Middle School.
- **Sunday, October 29th (3 p.m.) at Mt. Pleasant High School The United States Marine Band** This concert is FREE. Just follow the link to order your tickets! Here is an opportunity for us all to hear what is arguably the greatest concert band in the world! And they are going to be in our back yard! Tickets are free, but are required to guarantee entrance. Tickets can be obtained by visiting <https://marineband.ticketleap.com>.
- Together BSD Can Make A Difference 5K - if anyone would like to form a Springer Team please reach out to me ASAP.
Oct 28

Committee Reports:

- Membership - Kim Williams – *Currently have 162 members, 50 of which are staff members. Math department won the membership competition with 100% of department PTA members. Dr. Woodson treated department to lunch.*
- Fundraising
 - Spirit Wear - Jason/Kathy Heller – preorders generated \$2999 In sales in addition to the \$2671 we have sold at events throughout the summer. Total \$5670 so far (budget \$5000 in sales for the total year). Delivery of items should be within a week. Cost was \$3471 including replenishing the stock for sales through the year and next summer (Budgeted \$3500). Online ordering of Spirit wear will be offered after initial delivery
 - Restaurant Nights - Christy Tobin – One night scheduled per month. Grottos pizza first one, complete list on Springer PTA website
 - Joe Corbi's - Kristine Woodruff- to be done after Christmas break
 - Barnes & Noble Book Fair - Kathy Heller- will be Saturday December 9th. Awaiting time and details from Community Manager at B&N

Member Comments *(please respect the time of all members by keeping comments brief)*

- No comments

Old Business:

- Open committee positions
 - Fun Night Co-Chairs – Todd and Shannon volunteered to chair – Thank you!
- Large scale project – Dr. Woodson spoke with staff – most requested items are smartboards, computers, and iPads. Will look at cost and present at next meeting

New Business:

- Teacher grant applications
 - These should be going out within the week. We have budgeted \$5000 for this item this year, and will be requiring that the teacher is a member of the PTA to qualify.
- Vote to approve reimbursement for Healthy Foods for Healthy Kids garden supplies –approved by 2 members

Adjournment : 8:02 pm

Upcoming Events:

10/15/17 – High School Open Houses @ 1PM	10/31/17 – Picture Re-Take Day
10/16/17 – Grotto's Night	11/3/17– 1 st Marking Period Ends
10/27/17 – Springer Fun Night (6-9PM)	11/14/17 – PTA Meeting @ 6:30PM

Parent's roundtable with Dr. Woodson immediately following. TOPICS:

- Abusive Language
- Athletic Programs
- Open Floor

**PTA Meeting
Principal's Report
October 10, 2017**

September 30th Unit Count Submitted

6th - 311

7th - 281

8th - 281

Total Students – 873

Springer Middle School Administrative / Teaching and Support Staff

Administrative / Office Staff – 10

Health / Support – 4

Library – 1

Instructional Staff – 26

Special Education Staff – 12

Exploratory (AVID / Art / Business / Music / PE / Health / World Languages) Staff – 16

Speech – 1

Paraprofessionals – 8

Total Staff – 78

Custodians – 9

Food Service – 11

Interventionist / SRO – 2

Visiting Teacher – 1

Total Staff - 23

Extracurricular Events

Athletics-

Cross Country

Soccer

Field Hockey

Volleyball

Wrestling

Programs-

Flag Football

GPS

School Play

Concord Rowing Team

Odyssey of the Mind

USTA Tennis Program

Chess Club

VEX Robotics Club

Homework Club

Exploring Dance

Upcoming Events

Interims Distributed 10/11

Parent Teacher Conferences 10/12 and 12/13

Hurricane Relief Donations Accepted 10/16 – 10/20

Hurricane Relief Concert 10/20 @ 6:30PM in Auditorium (White House Band)

Family Fun Night 10/27 @ 6:00PM

Picture Re-Takes 10/31

1st Marking Period Ends 11/3

Staff Work Day / No School 11/6

Veteran's Day Observed 11/10

PTA Meeting 11/14

Items of Interests

Principal Meeting Notes (Monthly Meeting with Dr. Holodick and Executive Team)

Statewide Consolidation

State Expenditures Point to Positive Revenue

Enrollment is UP due to Special Education

Delaware Green Pathways @ Springer Middle School

Audit of Springer by UD Engineers (Date TBD)
Student Representatives (8-10 students)
PTA Representative
Parent Representative

First of Three Crisis Drills Completed (Lockdown Drill)

Field Hockey Team Tied Talley Middle School in a Game at Brandywine High School
Soccer Team plays Odyssey Charter at Baynard Stadium 10/25 @ 5:30PM

Fun with Dad's Program (Devearl Royster / Mike Glazier)
Ramsey's Farm / Picking Pumpkins / Corn Maze /

AM Drop Off / PM Pick Up
Thank you. Please continue to show patience

Extracurricular Events
No Failing Grades for Participation

Locks for lockers (Key lockers are quicker and easier to manage)

Communication
Daily Announcements (AM / PM / Web Page)
Connect5
Web Page

Dress Code:

Boy's Pants (Need to wear belts)
No Ripped Pants
Leggings
No Back Packs
No Outside Coats are to be worn in the Building

Large Scale Projects:

Smartboards
iPads / Computers
Standing Stations
Funding for Field Trips
Another Bike Rack
Sports Illustrated Subscription for Library
Electrical Marquee
Lunch Benches outside of Cafeteria

Principals' Roundtable:

Abusive Language
Halls
Cafeteria

Athletic Programs
Sportsmanship
Team Selection

Why do we require students to leave the campus and return with a parent/guardian?
Supervision
Busses