

**Joint Membership Meeting Of The
Springer Middle School Family Association, Inc
And The Springer Middle School PTA
Monday, March 12, 2018 - 6:30PM**

MINUTES

- I. **Call to order** *Jason Heller @ 6:30pm*
- II. **Approval of the February 13, 2018 Joint Meeting Minutes** *(as posted online) Kristine and Lisa*
- III. **PTA Monthly Financial Report** *Kristine Woodruff - see attached*
- IV. **SFA Monthly Financial Report** *Pleshette Moore - account opened. See report*
- V. **Teacher Liaison's Report** *Mr. Xenakes not here*
- VI. **Principal's Report** *Dr. Woodson*
 - A. *Congratulations to all four Springer Teams who qualified for the semifinals! The Springer of Samori Coles, Liam Greenhalgh, Solomon Schrack and Ryan Woodruff won and are the DelMarVa Middle School Champions. Even more impressive is this is the first year for Springer Robotics and only these students' second ever competition!!!*
 - B. *Springer Odyssey of the Mind won 4th place in Problem 2 of the River Regional Odyssey of the Mind Competition on Saturday. The team consistent of Eva Goodson, Gabby Goodson, Mya Reeves, Eva Smith, Tra'mayne Gaines, Destiny Everett & Eriell Ford. Mrs. Reeves was the coach. The students did an amazing job and it was the first time for all of them*
 - C. *Sage Durte joined with the Brandywine School District High School Odyssey of the Mind team of Emma Frampton (Concord), Bradley Graybeal (Concord), Will Savage (Mt. Pleasant) and Tre Waters (Brandywine) [yes all Springer Grads] to come in 2nd place in Problem 3 of the River Regional Odyssey of the Mind Competition on Saturday. They will be going to the State Completion on Saturday, March 24th in Dover, DE.*
 - D. *Music in our Schools Concert is scheduled for March 13th at 7PM. Students leave for Disney after the concert and return on March 18th*
 - E. *March 14th "Walk-Out" is scheduled for 10:00A and ends promptly at 10:17A*
 - F. *The Science Olympiad Competition is scheduled for Saturday, March 17th in Dover, DE*
 - G. *Our Interim Nurse Mary Hausheer is doing a fantastic job already. Will be here for the rest of year, will hire a nurse for next year, as ours retired.*
 - H. *The annual Rock Your Sock's Event is scheduled for March 21. Springer will be selling socks*
 - I. *The end of the 3rd Marking Period is March 28th*
 - J. *Spring Break is March 29th through April 6th*

- K. *60th Anniversary Celebration of the Opening of Springer Middle School is currently scheduled on May 23rd. This year's Yearbook is dedicated to the Anniversary*
- L. *Lisa Blunt Rochester visited and took a tour, then answered questions from students.*

VII. President's Report Jason Heller

- Outstanding encumbered funds in the PTA accounts of \$11,200 as of 2/28/2018 made up of:

- o *\$1869 for 60th Anniversary*
- o *\$103 for Rapid Readers*
- o *\$600 for ELL*
- o *\$500 for Springer Shark Tank*
- o *\$6000 for Chromebooks that have been ordered*
- o *\$2000 for the 8th grade dance.*

If all encumbrances are spent, after taking the remaining restaurant nights/Box tops into account I estimate we will be left with about \$1000 remaining in the PTA account. After the dance we will have a more realistic idea of our exact ending balance so we can plan how to appropriately spend the remaining amount.

- School Board Meeting Recap: The February 26th School Board meeting was business as usual. The top story is lights at the BHS football field being funded with 100% alumni donations!

- The first "Springer Family Fun Night with the Wilmington Blue Rocks" is Friday May 4th. Tickets must be ordered by April 6th and are only \$10. This event is open to all Springer students and their extended families! The mission is to increase family engagement in our school! Details can be found at SpringerFamily.org. We hope to see everyone there.

- Springer Robotics competed in the DelMarVa VEX Robotics championship on Saturday March 10th at Delaware State University in Dover. All 4 Springer teams made it to the finals, and one Springer team (with their alliance team from Dickinson Middle School) won the championship for the Middle School division. I have their trophies here tonight to turn over to Dr. Woodson for the trophy case! The winning team consisted of Samori Coles, Liam Greenhalgh, Solomon Schrack, and Ryan Woodruff. All four teams had an incredible first season and are looking forward to next year! Trophies given to Dr Woodson.

VIII. Committee Reports:

A. *Membership (PTA & SFA) (Kim Williams) - one new member this month. 173 members including 55 staff (total of 65 staff, so great numbers!)*

B. *PTA Fundraising:*

1. *Restaurant Nights (Christy Tobin) - Next on at Stanley's this wednesday, all day, we get 15% off bill. Will not include the special of the night. Have to show voucher*
2. *Box Tops (Carla Riccardi) - we made \$347.20. Prizes to be delivered next week to top 3 winners - one from each grade*

C. SFA Fundraising:

1. Joe Corbi's (*Kristine Woodruff*) - sold 262 items. Next thursday, March 22nd, it will be delivered. Looking for volunteers to help sort. Parents to pick up 4-7pm. \$1400 dollars made for Springer Family Association
Jackie Spencer sold 42 pieces!
2. Barnes & Noble Book Fair (*Kathy Heller*) March 31st 10-4pm

D. Teacher Appreciation (*Tia*) pending

E. Nominating (*Mr. X*) - next meeting is nominating meeting. If interested in position - email Mr. X

IX. Member Comments on Agenda Items or General Springer Topics

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

X. Old Business

- A. SFA Organizational Update
- B. Lisa Fabris gave update on drug program given at Talley, called Operation Prevention. Wondering about getting this program rolled out at Springer. Dr Woodson to speak with the principal of Talley to see how to start this.
- C. Announcements not being sent out daily. They are on the website daily. Dr Woodson to get these started to get emailed daily again.
- D. Question about walk out - will be addressed by Dr. Holidick in special presentation
- E. *8th grade dance - if interesting in helping, you don't have to come to all the meetings, can get emails of updates and help with things needing to be done at home. Need candy donated or bought at cheap price if anyone has a connections. Need bakers for desserts for party. Need someone to make a slideshow of kids names. Dance is May 19th. Set up is May 18th. Will need a ton of helpers to help set up, don't need to sign up, just show up and come to work! Have had help in past from high school students coming back to help set up. Next meeting is March 26th at 6:30pm in library.

XI. New Business

XII. SPECIAL PRESENTATION - BSD Superintendent Dr. Mark Holodick -

- A. Walk out - supported fully. Not a school function or school lead. Students are supported if they choice to participate. Safety is a priority. Have requested additional SRO to be at the middle schools. Not sure if it has been approved since the amount of requests made throughout the state. One person from executive team (Jason Hale here) will be at each school. Entrance ways will be blocked before,during and after walk out. Once they go outside, we have no control where they go. Encouraging students to go outback instead of the front of the school. Nationally happening at 10am. Parents will not be allowed on the property during the time. Middle school is required to have a permission slip. Students had to bring permission slip to main office due tomorrow - send in a letter by tomorrow.

XIII. Adjournment - at 8:09

Upcoming Dates of Importance:

3/14/18 - Springer Day @ Stanley's (all day)

3/31/18 - Book Fair Fundraiser at Barnes & Noble 10A-4P

4/6/18 - Deadline to order Blue Rocks tickets!

4/10/18 - JOINT SFA/PTA MEETING & SFA NOMINATIONS