

**General Membership Meeting
September 12, 2017
Library, 7:30 AM**

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:39 AM by Barb Waldmiller. A quorum was established.

PRESENT: Barb Waldmiller, Dave Jagels, Christina Nelson, Sarah Pevner, Holly Patrick, Isabelle Dolan, Stephanie Sursi, Jenny Rudo, Tamara Crouse, Shaunta James, Donna Rogers, Isidro Lopez-Erwine, Sheila Lopez-Erwine, Lisa Junker, Farah Chohan, Jamey Chianetta, Lara Nelson.

MINUTES: The minutes of the May 2017 General Membership Meeting were presented. Christina motioned to accept the minutes and Donna seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (A truncated report was given by Barb. Neil was unable to attend the meeting.) Encumbrance update: At the May 2017 meeting the PTSA Board requested an encumbrance of \$2500 for the summer to cover expenses such as: money for the membership mailing, office supplies, mini footballs to promote PTSA at a football game and the back to school breakfast. The motion was approved. Over the summer the Board spent \$2418 of that \$2500.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: (A truncated report was given by Barb. Christine was unable to attend the meeting.) Membership: we are doing well.

Last year for the entire year we had 452 parents and students. This year as of now we have 481 parents and students.

Last year at this time we had 3 faculty. This year we have 9.

Last year at this time we had 1 Community member. This year we have 2.

Last year for the entire year we raised \$3084 for No Fuss. This year so far we have raised \$3941.

We are moving in the right direction, but still need to do more work with the staff.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Each month we will have a program attached to our meetings. Keep an eye on our website which is CentrevillePTSA.org. It can also be reached through the school's

website. Click on Resources, then Family and Community Resources, then click on the 6th button down for the Parent Student Teacher Association. Also, we have a Facebook Page. It's Centreville High School PTSA.

We are looking for someone to help with Reflections. So, if you are interested in art and would like some more information, please see me.

We are still in need of a Hospitality Chair. If you'd like to help with a few events during the year, please see me.

MULCH/ANGP REPORT: Donna Rogers, Chair of Mulch and ANGP: Last year over 300 kids attended, each year the attendance goes up. This is the 3rd year we are back at the school. Right now we have 53 kids who have purchased tickets. They are currently \$30 but will be going up to \$45 then \$60. We need to get families to "pay it forward" from the parents with younger kids. Last year cost the event cost \$38,000. Most of that money is raise from the Mulch Sale. Both events are fun. Please join us for one or both if you can.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: "State of the School" Principal Jagels showed us the presentation he showed to the teachers at the beginning of the year.

Larger class sizes due to county cutbacks.

This means that it's harder to accommodate requests to move students from one class to another

Project AWARE: this year we are focusing on emotional intelligence using information from Yale

The Science of Happiness (Tal Ben-Shahar, Harvard psychologist) work from the standpoint of a happy mind

Your brain at a positive standpoint performs significantly better than a negative mind, a happy brain learns better, it has greater sensitivity and empathy

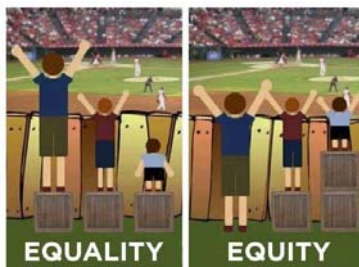
Why are we reading what we are reading?

Book "Enrique's Journey": collective responsibility – we all have a responsibility for all our kids

"The Other Wes Moore": collective efficacy

Understanding the challenges all our kids face

Equity by name and by need:



The teachers have built in 17 **advisory periods** throughout the year to build relationships with the kids during PLUS

Teachers – self health and self-help are the focus this year – yoga, zoomba HAVE FUN!!!

ESSA – Every Student Succeeds Act – supersedes No Child Left Behind and implementation begins 2017-18

Teachers are being encouraged to be professional, commit to the collaborative teams
Engagement survey teachers took at the beginning of the year shows they are trying to be happy but are having trouble. Roadblocks include crowded classrooms, salaries, “being tired” during different times of the year. CVHS Administration is aware of this (and struggles with it too!) and is trying to find ways to help.

Discussion about the large sign outside. Will cost \$60,000 to replace. Should we replace? It’s a very complicated issue. It involves outdated technology. Outcome is unclear right now.

A new Parent Resource Center has been approved for an outside mod, outside door 12. It will be mainly for, but not exclusively for, the Spanish and Korean community. It is a Pyramid resource.

Principal Jagels would like the PTSA to consider doing a “pick-me-up” for the teachers at the end of February or end of March.

AP testing is the 1 & 2nd week of May and SOL testing begins the 2nd week of May.

Adjournment: 8:26 AM.

The minutes were approved on October 17, 2017. The motion was made by Sonya Anyanwu and seconded by Tamara Crouse. Sharon Stemme, Recording Secretary. (Note: these minutes were taken by Barb Waldmiller because Sharon was unable to be at the meeting.)