

**Howard Elementary PTO Board Minutes
Tuesday February 19th, 2019
Howard Elementary School Cafeteria
6:00 PM**

Principal's Report

- **Dates to Remember**
 - 2/20/2019 – Exclusion Day
 - 2/25/2019 – Site Council, 2:45pm
 - 2/25/2019 – 2/28/2019 – Book Fair
 - 2/28/2019 – Literacy Night
 - 3/1/2019 – 3/31/2019 – PTO Read-A-Thon
 - 3/5/2019 – Kindergarten Round Up, 6:00pm
 - 3/13/2019 – Wacky Wednesday – Rainbow Day
 - 3/15/2019 – No School, Professional Development Day
 - 3/19/2019 – PTO Meeting, 6:00pm
 - 3/25/2019 – 3/29/2019 – Spring Break
 - 4/1/2019 – Students return from Spring Break

- **Literacy night 2/28/2019, 5:00pm – 8:00pm**
 - 5:30pm – 6:00pm - Serving pizza and cookies
 - 6:00pm – 6:45pm – Visit Classrooms
 - 6:30pm – 8:00pm – Book Fair

- **Kindergarten roundup – 3/5/2019 – 6:00pm -7:00pm** - Principal Chinn invites PTO representative to give short presentation, recruit new parents and answer questions – Principal Chinn requests a 2 minute description of what PTO does and ask for volunteers

- **Staffing 2019-2020** – Next school year budget is reduced – AFFECT: reduce staff by 3 teachers. Principal Chinn is working with district to correct budget projection. Out of district transfers cannot just transfer anymore, home district has to release student. Children already attending in the district do not have to reapply.

Approve minutes from January

- **Minutes Correction**
 - Literacy Night – 2/28 correction
 - Date on the top of minutes corrected
 - Tischelle motion and Holli second to approve minutes

Current and Open PTO Board Positions

Communications manager – Open Now

Upcoming positions for next year - President, Vice President and 1 Fundraising Chair

Ideas to get the word out there to get new committee members in

Harry Potter Recap

Supplies for 200 kids went in 37 minutes

PTO might charge cover charge in the future

In the future will need to expand into the gym to accommodate the turnout of people

In the future PTO should utilize PILOTS and Key Clubs to supply volunteer

Teachers requesting event like this in the future during parent teacher night/literacy night to draw more parents in.

Bottledrop

Revamped – made us fliers

Parents/students can bring to events, on school days, or we can pick up

Can we get signs as big as the trash cans?

Fliers are going home in Friday folders.

Upcoming events

- **Book Fair 2/25/2019 – 2/28/2019** - Library volunteers still needed for – 7 spots still need to be filled.
Asking for Legos and board games donated to the library.
- **Family Literacy Night**
2/28/2019
- **Penny Wars**
Pirates theme chosen – email will go out this week to Penny Wars committee.
- **Read-a-thon**
3/1/2019 – 3/31/2019
Bookmarks, fliers, envelopes created for event.
Looking into getting sponsors involved.
Lip sync battle - school reward
- **PTO Meeting**
3/19/2019
- **McTeacher Night**
Three Options:
1st choice – Thursday 4/18/2019
2nd choice – Wednesday 4/17/2019
3rd choice – Tuesday 4/16/2019 – PTO Meeting at 6:00pm

- **2nd Community Night**
5/2/2019 –date might change
Keep it a simple movie night.

Duer's ATA

\$49 for first month and includes uniform – no contracts.

Enrollment fliers are going out at Spring Break and toward the end of the school year.

Assembly to show off Duer's ATA – BethAny will follow up with Katrina from Duer's ATA to see about a anti-bullying assembly.

Notes

Popcorn -_Need more volunteers to do popcorn next year.

Want to be a school celebrity – do popcorn.

May 30th is last popcorn day - Interest in doing popcorn - come by and learn how it is done so that it can continue next year. We need at least 3 volunteers.

Advertise in newsletter that for \$3 kids can get popcorn through the rest of the school year