**YORKTOWN PTA MEETING AGENDA**

**Monday, February 12, 2018**

**7:30-8:30 p.m.**

**YHS Library**

1. Welcome & Introductions – Kathy Mimberg, President

Kathy called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm. Introductions were made by those attending.

1. Principal’s Report – Bridget Loft, Principal

-Mrs. Loft reported that:

-Wednesday is early release at 12:34 pm.

-Spring sports start on Monday, February 19th.

-Interim report cards will be issued the beginning of March and again closer to graduation.

1. Treasurer’s Report – Michele Rinn, Treasurer

-Mrs. Rinn reported details on the PTA budget.

1. Ongoing PTA Business

− Family Network Forum – Lila Herndon Vizzard and Victoria Lion Monroe, Co-Chairs

a. Will take place on Wed. Feb. 21 – 7 p.m. in Patriot Hall

b. Open to WMS and SMS families as well

c. School psychologists will do a presentation on how to distinguish normal stress from anxiety and signs that your kids may be struggling and what parents can do to help as well as where to get help. There will also be a panel of local experts for questions and answers. The meeting is geared towards parents.

d. Flyers were handed out to those attending the PTA meeting.

e. Podcast – What’s Up APS is also interested in doing a podcast on this issue.

− Community Read – Yvonne Brandt and Joycelyn Harrison, PTA VPs

a. Mexican WhiteBoy by Matt de la Pena

b. Two sessions with YHS students on March 13-14. Students through their english classes are invited and all 9th graders will attend.

c. Author talk for the community on March 13 at Central Library, 7 p.m.

d. Flyers

e. APS Podcast

− Graduation Boat Party – Brig Pari and Becky O’Neill, Co-Chairs

Off and floating!

Need some volunteers for ticket sales and will be selling tickets on Wednesday during the Senior Panoramic. Tickets are sold by cash and check.

− Teacher Grants Program -- Kathy Mimberg for Co-chairs Janet Brodnitz and Maggie Debelius

a. Second round of grants, deadline is Feb. 26

b. 10 applications received so far

c. NYT subscription grant news – pay for all YHS students to get subscription and once talked to NYT 27,000 students can access the NYT for free. APS Central office is working to make sure that everyone knows.

V. New PTA Business

− PTA Officer Nominating Committee and Upcoming Election:

a. Vote on Nominating Committee: Diane Meighan, Laura Neuman, Janet Brodnitz

b. Schedule: present slate of candidates at March 12 meeting

c. Vote on candidates at April 16 meeting

d. Last PTA meeting this year: May 14

A motion was by Mrs. Rinn to approve the nominating committee. Mrs. Brandt seconded the motion.

− Committee to Review YHS PTA Bylaws – Ashley Rehr, Secretary, and Joycelyn Harrison, Internal VP and YHS parent Kathryn Ricard.

− Social Activities Committee -- Kathy Mimberg for Co-Chairs Amy Westhoff and Inga Middleton

a. Spring Dance – possibly last Saturday of April (April 28)

i. Possible “Blue & White” theme at end of Spirit Week

ii. Atrium – food provided by PTA

iii. Sign-up to help with planning or chaperone

b. Parent Reception – possibly a Thursday, early to mid-April

C. Parent coffees and other ideas welcome.

− Yorktown to join W-L on Prom Dress Collection – Yvonne Brandt, External VP

Sale is April 16-17 at WLHS and Wakefield also invited to participate.

VI. Announcements

− Sign cards for student with medical emergency-- Kathy

− Special Program Following March PTA Meeting – Bridget Loft, Principal

• Program for students on healthy relationships, sexual assault and consent issues.

YHS students took a survey in 10th and 12th grades and based on these responses, APS is going to hold a meeting to address the issues raised by the survey and provide support for high school students. This is the 3rd year of having PAVE come to health classes and work with students. PAVE stands for Promoting Awareness Victim Empowerment. PAVE will be at March PTA meeting to provide the presentation to parents.

• March PTA meeting will start a half-hour early and just run for 45 minutes in order to allow for time for this special program

NEXT PTA MEETING IS MONDAY, MARCH 12, 7:00 P.M.

Please join the PTA and donate to the Phantom Phling at [www.YHSPTA.org](http://www.yhspta.org/)