



**YORKTOWN PTA MEETING MINUTES**  
**Monday, February 11, 2019 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.**

**I. Welcome – Meredith Purple, PTA President**

Mrs. Purple welcomed all to the meeting.

**II. Approve Dec. Meeting Minutes – Meredith Purple**

Mrs. Purple offered a motion to approve the December PTA Minutes. It was approved by voice vote.

**III. Principal's Report – Bridget Loft, Principal**

Mrs. Loft thanks the PTA for supporting the science fair and keeping the kids focused on school with the crazy weather schedule. Third quarter can often bring a slump so whatever incentive parents can provide to their students to keep their eye on the prize would be appreciated.

Calendar:

2/13 Early Release on Wednesday - a professional learning day

2/14 Theatre Variety Show

2/18 No school but spring sports starts this day and a reminder that all students participating need a physical

3/4 SGA - if interested in running for an office petitions are due by this date

3/5 Winter Sports Awards Night

Budget: Ms. Loft previewed for the group that the Superintendent's budget will be released 2/28/19, and encouraged parents to participate in the discussions during the budget process.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> On Feb. 28, 2019, the Superintendent's Budget was released. YHS PTA Secretary Ashley Rehr includes the following information (not available at the time of the Feb. PTA meeting) about the released budget for parents interested in following the budget process:

- The Superintendent released the proposed budget for FY 2020
- The fully funded budget totals \$671.6 million



#### **IV. Parent School Safety Group**

A parent complimented the school for their planning and ability to handle a crisis when it arrives.

#### **V. Treasurer's Report – Jenn Vogel, PTA Treasurer**

Ms. Vogel highlighted 3 things. Spirit wear sales are going great. No Frills had collected over \$2,500 so far. Also, there are some funds available for grants for teachers and it looks like the PTA can offer a spring grant cycle. If you have any questions, please feel free to let her know.

#### **VI. Boat Party Update – Mike Cantwell, Boat Party Co-Chair Amanda Marie Halagao-Davis – boat party co-chair.**

- Mr. Cantwell – presented a timeline of boat party activities (copy attached).
- The theme for the boat party will be “The Beach.”
- \$60 per ticket thru March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Sent 260 letters to business and already started to get donations back!
- Web Site: <http://www.yhspta.org/2019boat-party>
- The boat party offers fun, good times, and reduces risk of drinking driving, drugs, and death.

#### **VII. Community Read – Jeff Luttrell, APS Supervisor, Library Services**

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- Includes funding for continued enrollment growth and the opening of five new schools and programs
  - A step increase for APS staff
  - Provides areas of need for future funding
  - It is noted the County Board will propose a tax increase
  - The budget will be adopted by May 2019



Mark Stripe, YHS Librarian.

The book is called Monday's Not Coming by Tiffany Jackson. Ms. Jackson will be speaking to students at all 3 high schools on April 2 and April 3. Read the book and join the conversation at one of the events below. She will be at YHS on April 2 from 1:30 to 2:30 pm in the auditorium. The community event is April 2 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm at the Central Library. The America Library Association gave this book the Corbett's Scott King award for 2019.

**VIII. Transportation/Parking at YHS – Kristin Haldeman, APS Director, Multimodal**

- Ms. Haldeman loves talking about transportation. There have been some concerns about rush hour traffic at YHS in the morning. APS Go! is the brand name of the transportation service. APS Go! Is a part of the school district's efforts to proactively assess the needs of the community, respond to growth and demand, and develop forward-thinking transportation programs.
- Ms. Haldeman also discusses Arlington County policy and scooters. She noted the county website allows for comments on scooters. Both vendors and the county pilot program indicated that scooter riders should be 16. VA comes notes that an person 14 and under should be supervised on scooters. Scooters can not be on sidewalks but can be in bike lanes.

**IX. Announcements**

Next PTA meeting on Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm

**x. Adjourn – Meredith Purple**