Minutes March 16, 2023

1. Welcome 2 minutes
2. Administrative Report 5 minutes
   1. Mrs. Thomas shared the Maryland Report Card for Mechanicsville. She shared we were 3rd in Carroll County. We were #1 in math and #2 in reading. Additional information is at [www.reportcard.msde.maryland.gov](http://www.reportcard.msde.maryland.gov)
   2. Testing season is about to start for students in grades 3-5.
3. Teacher Report 5 minutes
   1. Ms. Basham shared that Kindergarten and 4th grade has been working together to read and play math games.
   2. The most recent program was really good and they enjoyed having the grade levels mixed up.
4. Secretary Report 5 minutes
   1. The minutes from the last meeting are up on the website.
5. Treasurer Report/ Budget 5 minutes
   1. Sarah reviewed the how much money went in and out. $115 was made on the kindness pencils. Three field trips were paid for and the PTA paid the school the entire amount for the swings, which was $26,500.
   2. As of the last meeting, only 86 tickets were sold for Hershey Park.
6. Bylaws 5-10 minutes
   1. It is proposed to have an option to vote in person, via teams/virtual and absentee ballot. The deadline for the votes not in person would be 24 hours ahead of time (except virtual votes).
   2. The by laws were approved with no one saying no.
7. Events/Fundraising 10 minutes
   1. March:
      1. Hershey Park Tickets (though March 31)- has been extended until the end of April
      2. Panda Express (March 20)
      3. Plant Sale (start March 20)
   2. April:
      1. Silent Auction (starts April 1 or April 5)
      2. Roller Skating (April 15 1-10pm)
      3. Spring Fling (April 21)
         1. The spring fling will happen in the cafeteria, gym and hall from 5:30-7:30. Students will have the option to buy tickets to make grafts and play games. The silent auction will also go on that night with most things being in the lobby for people to look at.
      4. Bus Stop Fundraiser (possibly April 27)
   3. May:
      1. Teacher Appreciation Week (May 8-12)
      2. Playday (May 26, rain date June 2)
8. Open Discussion 5 minutes

The next PTA meeting will be April 20, 2023.