

**Ellicott Mills Middle School PTA**  
**BOE meeting**  
**March 14, 2018 6:30 – 7:30 pm**

- A. Welcome and call to order
- B. Establish Quorum – only 7, no quorum
  - a. Attendants: Deeanna Franklin-Campbell, Patricia King, Chris Rattay, Paula D’Alonzo, Margaret Caporeletti, Linda McLaughlin
- C. President’s Report - Grant committee approved for mini grant last of the funds
  - Need to send out a “Why join PTA” email
  - Minimal activity this month – 2 restaurant nights
- D. Teacher Representative Report – Thank you for the mini grants; very appreciative
- E. Principal’s Report –
  - Staffing – New counselor
  - If staff is out for a long time, what is the communication requirements – case by case basis
  - He is trying to get to all 4 schools – he has been to Veterans, Need to schedule for Worthington, Thunder Hill ES and Waterloo ES
  - Budget - Lost 3.4 staff members due to raise student to teacher ratio with budget changes last week
  - 422 students, 2 portable – 7 total; did the survey; this year 8 teachers on carts
  - Student Walkout happened
    - 557 students participated; 69.4% of population
    - It was inside based on the student planners’ request; principle planned it; students lined hallway; reduced possibility of press exposure
  - Mr. Rattay requested if an adult has a specific question to ask the principal and ton NOT use social media to communicate with him
  - School safety – issues related to individual students, protect their privacy is paramount; there is a system in place; to lessen any student anxiety
  - Mr. Rattay met with student voice group and staff
  - Linda mentioned teacher appreciation efforts for the music teachers; principal to select students
- F. PTACHC Rep Report – Director of Security was at the PTACHC meeting and the group discussed the county’s budget cuts
- G. Treasurer’s report - No treasurer report given
- H. Adjournment – 7:00