

## PTO Cultural Enrichment & Field Trip Committee

### 11/19/15 Meeting Minutes

**Present:** Jean Dwyer (*Woodside teacher*), Jen Carbaugh (*Woodside parent*), Mia Shervington (*Woodside parent*), Caryl Bruno (*BOCES liaison*), Vilma Lesmo (*PKMS parent*), Fred Romer (*Paramount Theater*), Barbie Altorfer (*Woodside parent*), Marisa O’Leary (*Woodside parent/Chair*)

#### **Paramount Hudson Valley Theater Presentation:**

Fred Romer, Community Outreach Coordinator for the Paramount, spoke to the group. He is currently working on revitalizing the School Times Series, which will focus on literacy, science & math tie-ins, for 2016-2017. Goal is to have 6-7 school time performances for next year, all aligned with Common Core standards.

Upcoming programs:

- February- tie in with Black History month, partnership with Hudson Valley Shakespeare Company
- May- Film Festival (reaching out to Middle & High School students), WCC sponsoring the festival, 75% of proceeds from event will benefit Field Library, Director & Producer of one of the featured films will offer free media workshop for middle, high & college students, local filmmakers will be given the opportunity to submit their films for screening
- Spring jazz series- Latin, Afro, Cuban, Contemporary & Big Band- coordinating classes & workshops for high school students
- Collaboration with Arts 10566- 8-week theater tech classes in preparation for a multi-school performance on June 9<sup>th</sup>
- Summer Camp in collaboration with Antonia Arts- 8-9 year olds thru high school- performing arts & technical aspects

\*\*Looking for high student interns (after holidays)

Fred can be reached at [Fred@paramounthudsonvalley.com](mailto:Fred@paramounthudsonvalley.com), (914) 739-0039, ext. 105 or (914) 260-8991

#### **Caryl Bruno’s Report:**

Current programming in district:

Hillcrest- The Science Barge & Beczak (Oct. 9 – 16 <sup>th</sup> )	\$5,225
Oakside- Dave Klotzle (Oct. 19 – 29 <sup>th</sup> )	\$1,100
Woodside- Barton Orchard (Oct. 21 st – 22 <sup>nd</sup> ) & Dave Klotzle (Nov. 2 – 19 <sup>th</sup> )	\$3,840

Total Program Expenditure: \$10,165

17% surcharge: \$1,728.05

Total Expense: \$11,893.05

Program scheduled but has yet to occur:

Uriah Hill- The Bierkos Around the World: \$1750 + \$297.50 (surcharge) = \$2,047.50

\$13,371.13 remaining BOCES credit for district

\*\*Caryl advised that in the past, enrichment programs were provided at PTO meetings as a way to draw more people in

### **Member Reports:**

**Mia-** *Girls Who Code Program*- after-school program for girls in middle & high school to learn computer science (info uploaded to shared google drive), very competitive & not widely offered in local districts; Staci Woodley (Oaksid principal) was very responsive to surveys- feedback so far includes theater performances, Mid-Hudson Museum, WestPoint, Author visits (presentations & booking signings), Librarian, Heather Norman, willing to research grants; suggested that a College Readiness/Career Fair

**Vilma-** Provided info on three programs- Metropolitan Museum of Art- has exhibit on Ancient Egypt Transformed: The Middle Kingdom (aligns with 6<sup>th</sup> grade curriculum) (<http://www.metmuseum.org/visit/plan-your-visit/group-visits/school-groups>), Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art- experiential tours & internships (Donna Mikkelsen, Director of Education- [dmikkelsen@hvcca.org](mailto:dmikkelsen@hvcca.org)), Hudson River Museum- 1-hour tour or planetarium show is \$100 for first 20 students, and \$4.50 for each additional (Saralinda Lichtblau- (914) 963-4550, ext. 241).

\*\*information will be uploaded to shared google drive, Vilma will do more research on group rates, etc.

**Barbie-** Presented a first draft of the event evaluation form she created. Suggestions were made to streamline some of the information. She will present a revised version at the next meeting.

### **Action Items:**

- Marisa will speak to Dr. Fine about holding a one-time day-time Cultural Enrichment & Field Trip Committee meetings as a way to encourage more faculty/administration participation

- Mia & Marisa are meeting with the Westchester Children's Museum to discuss bringing their programs into the district

**Adjournment:**

Next meeting will take place on Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm at the PKMS library