

# MINUTES

## UPPER DARBY HOME AND SCHOOL

November 11, 2017 *Meeting called to order by* Kate Long

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### Approval of Minutes

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A motion to waive the reading of the meeting minutes from October 2017. They are posted on the website.

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### Old Business (Part 1)

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We started the meeting with an old business item to accommodate cheerleading coach Nichole DiPaola Romesburg, who was in attendance to further discuss the need for the Air Track ahead of the vote on whether to offer the cheerleaders a grant to help purchase the equipment. The group had questions about the need for the equipment and the amount of the grant, which matches the highest amount previously given. Nichole affirmed the need for the equipment and pointed out that while only 42 cheerleaders will benefit from the use of the equipment, that number only represents this year. The equipment will be viable for many years to come and benefit. The attendees all agreed to the idea of offering the cheerleader a grant, however the amount was not yet resolved.

**Vote: A vote was taken. The attendees voted to offer the cheerleader a grant in the amount of \$1,000 over a lower amount of \$500.**

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### Royal Revolution – Mrs. Palladino

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Mrs. Palladino and representatives of the Royal Revolution came to speak about the latest and greatest happenings in the Royal Revolution. Leann Helal 11<sup>th</sup> grade, Gaganpreet Pandher 11<sup>th</sup> grade and Saron Mengesha 12<sup>th</sup> grade all members of Royal Revolution took turns addressing the group. The students spoke passionately about the organization and specifically about the clubs, events and resources it affords them. Clubs like “Lets Get Started” help them with the college selection and college essay process. Resources like “college board” and “Naviance” can help track due dates, send scores to schools and even have a college representative come to Upper Darby.

The students brought us up to date on the organizations up coming events. The most recent event was the Halloween tailgate which was a great success.

- November 23, 2017 is Home Coming. Students should purchase tickets in advance and remember there is a demerit threshold for eligibility to attend.
- The Thanksgiving food drive Mid October-November 20<sup>th</sup>. Anyone can donate. Food, cash and gift cards are accepted. The Royal revolution help deliver the food baskets to a goal of 50 families. All families will receive a full Thanksgiving dinner. This great endeavor in run by Mrs. Farrow.

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## UD Arts and Education Service Club – Jackie Hua & Habelah Hussain

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Jackie and Habelah both seniors at Upper Darby took turns describing the group and why they became involved. They energetically detailed how the group is great for all personality types, brings people together and offers an array of fulfilling community involvement and volunteer opportunities. Below are a few of the event in which they participate.

- The Philly marathon on November 18<sup>th</sup>
- Special Olympics this Saturday (hosted at Villanova university)
- “A Bit of the Arts” on November 24<sup>th</sup>
- The YMCA Reindeer Run 5K

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## President's Report – Kate Long

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Kate thanked everyone for attending the meeting and the club members for speaking. She stated that as a goal she would like to have a new group or club attend every meeting. As an incentive to foster registration, we will be having a drawing for a \$50-dollar gift card. All people who have registered from the beginning of the school year to the end of January and paid their registration are eligible. Register online, have your kids register you online or at the next meeting.

Member and membership fees are what allow us to continue the work that we do. The money collected from the membership dues is what allows us to give \$6,000 worth of scholarships every year in the form of \$500 dollars to six boys and six girls. Additionally, this helps us thank our teachers and faculty with the teacher's luncheon.

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## Treasurer's Report – Steve Ford

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See Treasure's Report for September next to the meeting minutes on our website for current expenses and ending balance. The new total balance is \$32,504.96

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## Principal's Report – Kelley Simone (Matt Alloway presented)

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Mr. Alloway introduced himself to everyone and discussed the latest news and events at the school.

- PAYS Survey: The survey participant schools are randomly selected, and parental permission is required. This survey will be taken by 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students. It is a completely anonymous survey that takes around 40 minutes to complete and looks at risk factors presents in the child's life. The results of the survey are displayed for the state and include the names of the schools who participated.

Mr. Alloway also spoke about the ongoing conversations that he and Mrs. Simone have been having with their department heads on ways to incentivize participation in the Upper Darby Home and School.

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## Flea Market – Lois Johnston

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- The spring Flea Market is currently scheduled for 4/15/2017

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## Committee Reports

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### School Beautification – Lee Jordan

The next event will be on Martin Luther King Jr. Day Monday January 15, 2018.

Upper Darby will be hosting the reading Olympics 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> March.

### After Prom – Chrissie LaVecchio

There are upcoming fundraising events for the After Prom See attached flyer. The clothing drive was a great success \$1,009 was raised and we will be collecting again. The prom is June 2<sup>nd</sup>, we need volunteers and help fundraising!!!

### Concessions – Kathleen Johnson

Kathleen wanted to open a dialogue about adding items/attractions to the flea market to help foster attendance. The possibility of having a bounce house or advertising using flyers and or social media.

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## Old Business (Part 2)

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Home and School memberships are still being accepted. You can register using our [online registration](#) form.

Payments can be accepted at any of our meetings/events.

Payments can be mailed to:

UDHS Home & School

PO Box 403

Drexel Hill, PA 19026

Request that other clubs and or extracurricular groups present at future meetings – Please contact Kate Long at [kathleenlong72@gmail.com](mailto:kathleenlong72@gmail.com)

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## New Business

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The Car Dealership, sponsor a School – Remy Duncombe will be asked to attend our next meeting.

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## Next Meeting

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TBD

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:00 pm

# THE UPPER DARBY AFTER PROM

...treating our children like royalty on Prom Night

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## *The UDHS After Prom Committee*

*has 4 ways for you to help with the cost of running the After Prom, all while enjoying some time with your family and away from the kitchen!*

Please join us for one or more of the following monthly fundraisers. Just mention UDHS After Prom when ordering.  
There is something for everyone!

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**Wednesday November 15, 2017**

**4:00pm-8:00pm**

**116 W. Township Line Road, Havertown**

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**Monday January 29- Sunday February 4, 2018**

**10:00am-10:00pm**

**4911 Township Line Road, Drexel Hill &**

**800 N. Eagle Road, Havertown**

**Valid for PICK-UP, DINE-IN, & DELIVERY**

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**Wednesday March 14, 2018**

**11:00am-10:00pm**

**3401 Garrett Road, Drexel Hill**

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**Thursday April 12, 2018**

**4:00pm-9:00pm**

**5045 Township Line Road, Drexel Hill**

October Treasurer's Report

<b>Account Balance</b>						
Starting balance for October						\$32,464.96
H&S dues collected						\$40.00
Ending balance for October						\$32,504.96
<b>H&amp;S Dues</b>						
Summer to September						\$210.00
Dues collected in September						\$230.00
Dues Colected in October						\$40.00
					Total	\$480.00