

Extra-Curricular Event:

Name: Crystal Hinds **Date:** February 11, 2017

Event/Meeting/Teaching Opportunity Attended: Under the Sea Dance

Describe event/meeting/teaching opportunity:

The under the sea dance was a part of fundraising event. The students consisted of mostly 9th and 10th graders but there were a few upper classmen there towards the end. It was exciting to see which students danced and which just wanted to horse around and have a good time. The decorations were really well done, constructed by student organization members, and really transformed the café area into a watery deep DJ party. The DJ's were also students, and they knew just what to play to keep their peers dancing the night away. Another PDS teacher chaperoned with me, Kelly. I noticed several of students from one of my classes. It was a very energetic atmosphere. Most of the students pretended we were not there it was their night.

What did you learn or take away? I learned that some of my students that are really rather quiet in class are different people when you put on black lights, turn up the music and the adults go away. It is only one of the many aspects of their complicated lives. I am glad that I engaged in that opportunity, not only to help out the students and school but also to see my students having fun and enjoying their peers.