

Metro PTO Meeting

May 11, 2022

6:30 Welcome and Introductions

- Meeting called to order at 6:39pm.

6:35 Approve April Meeting Minutes

- Tricia Moyer moved to approve the minutes.
- Christina Robinson seconded

6:40 Chairperson Reports

1. Teacher Appreciation Activities: Teachers were given totes, gift cards, de-stress kits. The first Friday breakfast was purchased from Costco. Mr. Lawler purchased lunch from Gioia's.
2. Recognition Reception: Went well. For next year, consider adding food and doing shorter presentations. Discussed splitting the event into a fall and spring event rather than one large one- this will be TBD next fall.
3. Beautification Committee: Will be planning a weeding and mulching event in June. Needs a new chair for next year. We will also need to have a furniture assembly party.
4. Diversity Committee: 2nd Alumni Q and A went well. Recording was sent out via membership toolkit. For next year, consider attaching it to class for extra credit to bolster attendance. The goal will be a quarterly event.
5. PTO Board Slate for 2022-2023: Ballots were passed out- no contested races. A motion was made to vote in officers as nominated. The motion passed.

7:00 Treasurer's Report

- Balance of \$55,402.12. There are several pending expenses for the end of the year, but a surplus is expected.
- See full report at the end of document.

7:15 Principal's Report

- Math competition: The Metro team took 2nd. Zukai will get to compete on a national level. We need a new math team sponsor for next year since Mr. Oreto is leaving.
- Thalia Vincent won the Gates scholarship which will fund 4-5 years at a college of her choice.
- The current Senior Class has earned over 25 million dollars in scholarships.
- Field day was a success with dunk tanks, water balloon tosses, and dodge ball. The new table and chair racks are working well.
- Leah Allen has been hired to teach IB Lit and first year English.
- Working on hiring a 2nd ELA teacher who is currently at Compton Drew.

- Mr. VanPelt will be the new IB coordinator.
- The AD, the Principal, and the Assistant Principal are being hired by the district.
- We will need coaches for Volleyball, Soccer, and Softball. Please recommend anyone that may be a good fit.
- We will need junior parents to help plant yard signs for graduates before 5/22.
- ESSER purchases in progress. Items include: New stools for labs, science lab software, science equipment for labs, graphing calculators, smartboards for rooms, some new furniture, picnic tables for outdoor classroom, IXL, standing desks, tables to promote collaboration in foreign language classrooms, headphones and sanitation cabinets (and goggles), lab aprons, guitars and cases, new selection of novels to increase diversity of content and authors,
- The district building and grounds department has promised a new curtain and new carpet in the entryway, but ETA is unclear.
- Still working on getting a set of upgraded laptops for coding, and a computer table for the library.

Potential dates for 22-23 school year:

- May 18: Senior Luncheon
- May 22: Graduation
- May 23-26: Final exams, 10:30 dismissal
- May 27th: Work day for staff. PTO usually sponsors lunch.
- 8/13: Back to school picnic
- Week of 8/29: Meet the teacher
- Homecoming 10/9
- 4/22 or 4/29/23 Tentative Prom
- 4/5 NHS
- 5/12 MSHSAA
- PTO meetings will remain the 2nd Wednesday of the month

7:35 Class Updates

1. Seniors: Lockin at Carondolet Y is in desperate need of volunteers for 3 hour chunks of time. Drinks and snacks will be purchased from Costco. The Senior funds also sponsored a tickets for the food truck for field day. Vicki Peck recommends more activities through the year for future classes to build socialization.
2. Juniors: Not many activities to date- they will look at doing some summer mixers.
3. Sophomores: No updates
4. Freshman: Welcome picnic for incoming students will be planned over the summer.
5. Student Council: Voting has been moved to the Spring so the new reps will be in place.

7:57 Motion to adjourn

A toast to Mr. Lawler's distinguished service as principal followed.

