

Dublin Coffman PTO General Meeting

Wednesday, October 12, 2016

7:05 PM - PTO meeting commenced

Jill Kranstuber, President

- Vice President

Michele Conway, Treasurer - absent

Karen Eicher, Recording Secretary

Mike Ulring, Principal

Also in attendance: see attached sign in sheet

Announcement: Jill introduced Natalie Mitchell who agreed to be the Treasurer for the 2017-18 school year.

Recording Secretary's Report - none. Minutes from the September were available to anyone who wanted a copy.

Treasurer's Report- Jill shared the Treasurer's report from Michele in her absence. Reviewed beginning cash and agreed to present the official 2016-17 budget at the November meeting. Jill shared that t-shirt sales for the Homecoming football game brought in an additional \$600 and we're planning to sell again at the upcoming Davidson and Upper Arlington games. Jill will send out a Sign Up Genius invite for volunteers to work this Friday (Davidson game) and the UA game (start selling at 7:00 pm).

Committee Chair Reports: *You can find the Committee chairperson email addresses on the PTO website so please feel free to contact them directly. WWW.COFFMANPTO.ORG*

College and Career (Kendra Gagne & Barb Nelson): Barb and Kendra have scheduled 97 visits from a wide range of schools. www.Naviance.com – the website to go to and see a listing of college and career visits and their scheduled dates.

Baccalaureate - Thursday, May 25, 2017 (Lisa Guzik & Michele Conway) – The date confirmed 5/25/17 at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church.

Celebration of Excellence - Wednesday, April 19, 2017 (Wendy Schwantes) Wendy Schwantes gave an overview of the Celebration of Excellence. Wendy is seeking a co-chair and very active volunteers to help take on parts of this project. Please contact Wendy or Jill if you're interested in helping.

PTO President's Scholarship (Susan McCarthy) - No update

Senior Banners (Jeff Wasserstrom) – No update

Casino Night – Friday, May 12, 2017 - need chairperson - Jill discussed our need for chairperson (co-chairs) for this year's senior class event. Please contact Jill if you are interested.

Shamrock Grants (Paula Rosenstein) – Jill explained that we would like to award these earlier than in the past. Mike explained what Shamrock Grants are and how they are awarded through the committee.

Family Phonebook (Marsha Moore) – Marsha Moore is in the proof reading phase so the books should be done soon – estimated distribution in November. Jill explained how you need to "Opt In" to be included in the phonebook from the parent dashboard on Coffman's site.

Faculty Performance (Melanie Hitsman) – Melanie Hitsman (librarian) runs this important program, which is Willy Wonka this year. Mike provided more details on this year's musical and the dates are as follows: Wednesday, November 30 through December 1st. Tickets are \$7 for

adults and \$4 for students. We will also need volunteers for the event (concessions, flower grams).

PERC – need a PERC rep – Information about PERC was available to all who attended. Parents were encouraged to attend topics of interest as they're valuable events.

Hospitality – We have some opportunities for volunteers to help with events towards the end of the year. Please let Jill know if you're interested. Would also seek an overall chairperson for all hospitality events. Finally, we are looking for a volunteer to decorate the pots at the two entrances of the school – there is a budget for this activity and would only need to be done seasonally (fall, winter, spring).

Principal's Report - Mike shared that there were 920 kids at the Homecoming dance and that they demonstrated excellent behavior. Mike explained that the kids loved the variety of music and had a great time. Only had to make a couple of phone calls for those who didn't show up, but all was well. Mike discussed the end of the first quarter and that the kids might be stressed as the work load ramps up the closer they get to the end. Parents will receive an email with your child's grade card, just as we received their schedules before the beginning of the school year. This is the first time emailing grade cards, so if there is an issue, let your child's counselor know. November 3rd is parent-teacher conference night. Email teachers if you would like a meeting. PSAT (junior parents) is this Wednesday and the score counts starting your junior year. The test is about 2.5 hours. No working Wednesday on October 19th due to the PSAT. We're wrapping up fall sports with the exception of football. My favorite time is lunch time because I get to spend time with the kids. Mike explained the situation and resolution regarding the suspicious package email he sent to parents earlier this year.

Questions: The floor was opened for parents to ask questions. Mike discussed the events at Davidson High School. The best defense is knowing the kids – doing our best to get to know the kids so they feel comfortable coming to staff or they can recognize when things might be off with a student.

New Business:

Sunshine Program: Mike explained the Sunshine Program and that we have a chairperson to lead. If you know of a family in need/going through a difficult time, please let Mike know so the PTO can support the family through this important program.

Website – new site www.CoffmanPTO.org – there will be a link from Coffman's website.

FB Page (Coffman High School PTO) – Our Facebook page is new this year and has a lot of information on it. We are requesting pictures from Coffman events and of our volunteers so everyone can see the great work the PTO does and recognize our awesome volunteers.

Next meeting date is November 15th, which is a change from our normally scheduled meeting.

8:06 PM - Jill Kranstuber motioned to adjourn the meeting, Paula Smith seconded the motion.