

Dublin Coffman PTO General Meeting

Wednesday, January 11, 2017

7:07 PM - PTO meeting commenced

Jill Kranstuber, President - absent
Open - Vice President
Michele Conway, Treasurer
Karen Eicher, Recording Secretary
Mike Ulring, Principal

Also in attendance: 12 per attached sign in sheet

Recording Secretary's Report – Welcomed everyone to the meeting. The PTO Board truly appreciates the time taken from everyone's schedules to attend the meetings! The group reviewed the minutes from the last meeting and Mike expanded on AIR testing and clarified the purpose and logistics. Michele motioned we approve the minutes and Wendy Schwantes seconded.

Treasurer's Report – The PTO received \$9,100 from the Faculty Performance, which is an unprecedented amount from this valued program. Mike Ulring explained that with the \$9K received, we'll be reviewing and approving grant requests made by the faculty (\$24K has been requested). Michele clarified that \$10K is allocated for the library renovation and \$7K is budgeted for Shamrock Grants.

Principal's Report

Winter Weather Procedures: Mike explained that ultimately it is the Superintendent who makes the decision on school closings/delays due to weather. Over 40% of Dublin students do not live in the city of Dublin, which is a big factor in the decision making process. The Superintendent tries to make the decision by 5:30 am and contrary to popular belief, there is no set temperature at which school would be closed.

Scheduling: Internally, the scheduling process has started with finalizing the course offering for the 2017-18 school year. February 1st will be Advisement Day when teachers talk with students about scheduling. Schedules will be built internally right after Spring Break. Mike explained the schedule building process and a new decision that all incoming Freshmen will be required to take a Personal Finance/Financial Literacy course (one semester). We will have a counselor join the February PTO meeting to talk more about scheduling.

ACT: Every Junior will take the ACT on March 21st at no charge. This is the first year the state of Ohio has done this. The test will be done online and the scores count. AIR re-testing has been going on during this last week for math and English for students who got a 1 or 2 on the previous test. Students need 18 points to graduate (a minimum of 4 points in math, 4 points in English and 6 points in a combination of US History, Government and Biology).

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): www.Naviance.com- volunteers will be limited to parents of Juniors and Seniors in 2017-2018

Baccalaureate- Thursday, May 25, 2017 (Lisa Guzik & Michele Conway); Graduation is on May 27th at 4:00 pm

Celebration of Excellence (Wendy Schwantes) – deadlines have been finalized and the committee is moving forward

PTO President's Scholarship (Susan McCarthy)

Senior Banners (Jeff Wasserstrom) – Jeff polled the group on changing the design so the banners are not the same year after year. Jeff might be able to get mock-ups to show at a future PTO meeting

Casino Night– Friday, May 12, 2017 - need chairperson–Mike will send an email to the Senior class parents soliciting volunteers to lead the event.

Shamrock Grants (Paula Rosenstein) - A meeting date was set for 1/16 at 7:30 am to review/approve grant request

Family Phonebook (Marsha Moore)

PERC– The next event is “Life A Day In My Life” – a panel discussion with teens from all 3 high schools scheduled for March 23rd. There's a chance this date may change as it might conflict with Karrer's play, so watch your email for updates.

Hospitality

Sweethearts Dance – Scheduled for February 11th – we need 15 chaperones and parents to sell tickets February 8-10th

New Business:

T-Shirt Contest: Jeff Wasserstrom requested to hold the contest again and reported that parents suggested doing a black shirt for the next school year.

Robotics Team: The first meeting is January 16th

Community Champions Award: Nominations are currently open; April 22nd is the awards ceremony

Vice President Position: The role is currently open and we're looking for a volunteer to fill this position for the 2017-18 school year. It's also a good time to start thinking about involvement in any leadership position for next year as you can consult with the current leader.

8:18 pm meeting adjourned

Next meeting date is March 8th at 7:00 pm