

**Dublin Coffman PTO Meeting
September 13, 2017 – 7:09 pm Start**

President: Jill Kranstuber, absent
Treasurer: Natalie Mitchell
Secretary: Karen Eicher
Principal: Mike Ulring

Welcome: Meeting attendees welcomed and thanked for coming out on a rainy night for our meeting.

Treasurers Report: Review of 2017-18 budget highlighting additions and deletions. For example, the Library money has been earmarked and taken out of the cash amount for future payment, the increase in dollars allocated for Shamrock Grants. We discussed use of the Square to take credit card/debit card payments for t-shirts and apparel.

Principal's Report: Began with a presentation from Guidance Counselor, Karen Brothers.

Karen Brothers: Senior meetings were held 1 week ago where counselors explained Naviance as an important tool for career and college search preparation. Common app, goal setting and career searches were discussed with seniors. Also discussed was self-care as students are encouraged to go to the guidance office or email at any time.

The College Fair will be held on 9/24 at Otterbein University from 1-3:30 pm. www.college-fair.org lists all attending colleges.

Garter Bowl: Key fundraiser that helps defer the cost of prom. The game will be held on 9/27 and volunteers are needed for concessions. Barb Nelson and Paula Rosenstein to send volunteer names to Mrs. Brothers.

Mr. Ulring:

- Great start to the school year due to great staff and students.
- Thanks to PTO for the back to school lunch enjoyed by teachers and staff.
- ACT/AP handout reviewed that showed the 2017 composite for Coffman was 25.7. Mr. Ulring is eager to see the 2018 results as all students took the ACT for the first time. Mr. Ulring encourages all students to try an AP class at some point while at Coffman.
- Students will be collecting money over the next couple of weeks to give to the Red Cross for hurricane relief.
- Ranking Group Niche rated Best Public High Schools and Coffman was ranked #3 in the state of Ohio out of 765 public high schools. Jerome was ranked #1 or #2. Dublin City School system was ranked 5th in the US.
- Mr. Ulring spoke to creating the Coffman Experience. Shared a story relayed to him during parent walk-through night. His overarching goal is for a school where teachers and kids have care and compassion for one another.

Chair Reports:

- A. Baccalaureate – Lisa Guzik – Calling Prince of Peace to get a date on the calendar.
- B. Casino Night – Beth Starrett and Susan Harder – no update
- C. Celebration of Excellence – Melissa Prond – an overview of the event was given by her husband.
- D. College and Career – Barb Nelson and Kendra Gagne – Barb explained the role of committee members during college visits and what volunteers do to facilitate.

- E. PTO President's Scholarship – Paula Rosenstein - \$1,000 awarded from each high school. The committee will receive applications in March.
- F. Senior Banners – An announcement was made that we are in need of a chair for this fundraising project.
- G. Shamrock Grants – Paula Rosenstein – Shamrock Grant applications will be due before Thanksgiving break and award decisions made before winter break. This will allow teachers to quickly buy materials/supplies to implement in their classrooms during the 2017-18 school year.
- H. T-Shirt Design Contest – An announcement was made that we are in need of a chair for this fundraising project. Last years' design was very successful and we look forward to building on that in 2018.

Adjournment: The next meeting date of October 11th was announced and the meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.