

PTSA November Meeting

November 18, 2014

Welcome and Introductions

- Danielle Pirslin called the meeting to order. Nine were present.
- Last month's meeting notes are available online. Thomas motioned to approve them and Danielle seconded them. We were all in favor.

Student Council's Report

- Annie Whipple reported out.
- We just hosted the District Leadership Conference. It went well.
- They are planning the Make-a-Wish drive. They are starting with planning the teacher auction.
- There has been a discussion on doing something for Suicide Prevention.

Teacher's Report – Sharon Salazar

- Last year, we had a PayPal account that donations went into.
- Last year, PTSA cash donations were able to buy 8 Chrome books.
- We will be asking for donations after the wishes come out so donation requests can be more specific.
- Sharon Salazar will get a quote for fixing the sound system. It is in need of some repairs.
- Sharon Salazar knows a parent who is the owner of a company. You can sign up with email and first and last name. They have an app called Skopic. There are various communities within the app and one community is for Prospect High School.

Principal's Report

- We had our first School Site Council Meeting last month.
- We are still looking for more people to be a part of it – teachers, students, and parents.
- School Site Council looks at data and trends to make recommendations for the school.
- More parents are helpful. We get more feedback for needs for the school.
- Finals start December 17th.
- Scheduling will start as soon as we get back from vacation in January.
- February 26th is the 8th Grade Parent Night.
- We are looking into getting an assembly together for distracted driving.
- Teaming up with ASB would be good. ASB can plan something for students and PTSA will plan something for parents. We can try to bring tentative dates back to PTSA at the next meeting.

Treasurer's Report

- We received a check for \$561.79 from Raley and Save Mart.
- Health office supplies were paid for \$125.00.
- 4 of the 8 mini-grants have been paid for \$1,333.56.
- Thomas Swidler motioned to move the line item set aside for Naviance for the amount of \$7,037.50 into the general fund. Danielle Pirslin seconded it. \$7,037.50 will be added into the general fund.
- Panther Paws Booster tax status needs to be looked into. They thought they were a sub-group under PTSA. Ms. Hansen will look into making sure the correct papers are filed.

District Representative Report

- Kalen Gallagher, our board rep, reported out.
- He apologized for this being the first meeting he came to for us.
- There are many exciting things happening. One is that there is a lot more technology in the classrooms. A lot of work has been done to improve the wi-fi on the campuses.
- It looks like we are closing the achievement gap.

AP Information Night

- There will be an AP information night in late January or early February.
- PTSA will provide TOGO sandwiches for the teachers that come that night.

December Donation Drive

- Two flyers will be going out. One will be very specific for requests and one will be a general request for monetary donations.
- Ms. Salazar will send the email to Ralene for volunteer coordination.

Open House Review

- There was a great turnout. 114 groups came to visit.
- 55 families came from MMS.
- 24 families came from EDS.
- 21 families came from Discovery Charter School.
- 13 families came from various private schools.
- Tours were supposed to go for 30 minutes and they lasted much longer. We will look at ways to make the tours a bit shorter, including just 5 minute stops in classrooms.
- ASB will be helping next year. They should make a Frequently Asked Questions sheet to avoid repetitive questions throughout tours.

Next Meeting is January 13, 2015.