

**PTA COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 4, 2018**

ATTENDANCE:

Kristi Amendola
Anne Zimmer
Sean Culler
Michelle Huber
Becca Harpster
Elena Cutri
Dave Moyer
Karen Stuefen
Beth Hosler
Patti Berner
Laura Gibson
Chris Ferreri
Lara Stavridis
Kelly Asseff
Carey Murphy
Erin Stratton
Jennifer Beal
Laura Wise for Beth Diviacchi
Heidi Maier
Suji LaBine

Call to order at 7:05pm by Kristi Amendola

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes approved

Laura Gibson motioned, Becca second

School Board Update (Karen Stuefen)

December 17th deadline for filing application for school board with DuPage County
Four open school positions

Superintendent Update (Dr. David Moyer)

Thanked the Council and individual PTA's for their support of the referendum.

Next steps:

December 11th special board meeting- architect and construction manager will layout timelines and the work to be done between now and the start of the next school year. There will be many opportunities for community involvement and site specific involvement. Bond money will be needed to pay for architectural costs. Timeline will be presented next week.

December 18th board meeting - proposal for summer maintenance work.

Dr. Moyer recognized the efforts of Bev Redman and her team. Currently they are working on the rollout of new District and school websites.

If PTA wants to get involved in providing extra resources towards facility improvements within the referendum,, Dr. Moyer suggested each school have a PTA liaison on the design committee. Playgrounds, collaboration zones, furnishings and outdoor space are all ideas.

Learning & Teaching did not feel the usage rates supported continuing to fund the BrainPop. He thanked the PTAs for covering the cost this year but Dr. Moyer does not think this is an expense that should be covered by the PTA going forward. Tech committee reviewing all apps for the 2019-20 school year.

Treasurer Report (Kristi Amendola for Mindi Kaploe)

Please submit any end of year reimbursements.

Programming Report (Beth Hosler)

Casey Braun and Beth Hosler are working on a speaker parent presentation and a movie called "Angst" both addressing behavioral health/anxiety. Internal and community effort.

Scholarship (Heidi Maier)

Working on a cooking class with Chef Marco at Marco's Table
Ladies who Lunch will be returning to Livia
Scholarship applications posted January 14th
April 23rd is the Awards Night at York

REACH (Patti Berner)

Will be working with programming in a coordinated effort to address behavior health/anxiety issues. Hosting next monthly Reach meeting on December 14th.

Reflections (Kristi Amendola for Michelle Wehrle)

97 total Reflections submissions
51 advancing to regional
3 film, 3 dance, 7 music composition, 9 photography, 15 visual arts, 14 literature
Regional judging will be shared by mid-January.

SERG- (Elena Cutri)

Survey sent to all parents of children with an IEP,; 15% response rate.
January 17th at York Administrative Offices - Parent Panel to discuss transition between schools
Library movie screening of "Intelligent Lives" is in the works in First Quarter

President's Report (Kristi Amendola)

Member Hub - we have contact! We now have a secondary email for submitting audits. Both audit and bylaws have to be uploaded to the site.

It is time to reviews the PTA Council bylaws. There are no changes being proposed. Will vote to approve as presented at the February meeting.

Unit President Updates/Questions

Beth Hosler inquired about ideas to help the transition between middle school and high school. Dr. Moyer mentioned a shadow program under consideration where a senior works with a freshman.

Middle School Transition Meeting happened last week. Now happening earlier as staffing has been accelerated, so core selection dates are in December for middle and high school. Feedback given and suggestions on how to approve on the middle school parent meeting last week. PowerSchool open for course selection but the 5th graders have not yet seen a presentation. Recommended the presentation should be given as if the parent and student knows nothing (often that is the case)!

Laura Wise from Emerson spoke about their Holiday Boutique on December 13th to raise money for their Teacher Appreciation Fund. 30 local vendors participating.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Chris Ferreri and Michelle Huber at 8:10pm

Respectfully submitted by Anne Zimmer, Corresponding Secretary, in the absence of Michelle Caruso, Recording Secretary.