Johns Creek PTSA Board Meeting Minutes

March 15, 2016

Attendees:

Kathy Meyers Karen Anderson Robin Spiegel

Mona Krug Shika Gupta Stephanie Mitra

Patty Buchanan Alissa Glatter Beth Seiden

Lisa Shanklin Beverly Henson Ann Marie Cassidy

Cindy Tromer

1. Principal’s Report by Dr. Zoll

Dr. Zoll was unable to attend so there was no Principal’s Report.

1. Approval of Minutes

Stephanie Mitra made a motion to accept the February 9th minutes. The motion was seconded by Mona Krug and was approved.

1. Treasurer’s Report – Stephanie Mitra

Stephanie passed out a revised budget based on input from last month’s meeting. It was noted that we may need additional money for teacher support. Beverly asked for a detailed budget report. We will do another adjustment before Honors Night in April. Cindy asked everyone to let Stephanie know if they need more money.

1. President’s Report – Cindy Tromer & Beverly Henson

Screen on the Green, sponsored by Student Ambassadors is scheduled for this Saturday on the field. Response has been tepid.

Picnic Tables – will be here next week

GA PTSA Report has been completed – we applied for the outstanding local unit award. Beverly completed the report with help from Lynn Gillen.

Plaques – one is about finished. Will check it and then order the rest of them.

Business Partners – only have two. Next year need to develop more relationships. At beginning of this year Fulton County started an initiative to do partnerships on county level. Mr. Martin also has business partners for the school. He does not want us to have separate ones. Our task to acquire business partners kind of fell through the cracks and will need to be revisited next year.

Cindy, Beverly, and Vicki Levine met with Jenny Poulos (aka Donna) regarding the College & Career Center. They also visited centers at Milton & Chattahoochee. Chatahoochee’s center is similar to ours. They have a room, schedule college visits at lunch, and use sign-up genius. At Milton, moms man the center all day long. They schedule college visits, set up fairs, distribute flyers, speak at school functions. Kim, McDonald, Jenny Poulos, Jay Wiley, and the PTSA Presidents will meet to talk about plans for next year and come up with ideas. They are meeting next week on Tuesday and any ideas are welcome. Jenny wants the center manned on shifts by volunteers. Karen Anderson asked if we can get Dr. Zoll to push back against the counselors not wanting to help with college prep. Counselors are not going to change unless pushed – KA. Beverly passed around handouts (currently used by Wesleyan) and wants to use them next year. Robin cited parent night with college representatives as being very successful.

Cindy suggested that we have our Senior parents host a parent night for rising Senior parents. Patty Buchanan suggested this be handled at the county level. Beverly asked Patty to contact Cliff Jones regarding needs of North Fulton Learning Community.

People interested in participating: Stephanie, Mona, Karen, Leslie, Denise, Shikha – Kathy will send email to seek involvement.

Nominating Committee – Patty Buchanan handed out the list of filled positions. The procedure is that the Board votes on the panel, it’s posted, and then voted on by the general population at Honors Night. All positions have been filled except Recording Secretary. Beverly wants to go to the next Autrey Mill MS Board Mtg. to recruit volunteers for chair positions and Secretary.

Patti Buchanan made a motion to vote on the slate of officers for next year. Robin Speigel seconded and the motion was approved. Patti will put the approved slate in the PTSA eblast and post the slate outside the front office for ten days prior to Honors Night.

Subsequent to our vote Nicole Adams agreed to be Recording Secretary. Ann Marie Cassidy made a motion to add Nicole Adams to the slate of officers. Karen Anderson seconded and the motion was approved.

1. Officer Reports
   1. Health Services – Lisa Shanklin

Wellness week is scheduled for next week with No Homework night on Monday, March 21st. Lisa provided a handout of what is planned for each day. They will use snapchat and twitter to advertise the next day’s happenings. Lisa anticipates they will need volunteers for herbal tea day (Thursday) and will use signup genius for this.

* 1. Staff Support– Robin Speigel

Teacher Appreciation week is scheduled for April 25th-29th with Administrative Day on the 27th. Two volunteers are working independently on the plans and Robin will need to work out the budget.

* 1. Student Ambassadors – Robin Speigel

Screen on the Green has been scheduled for March 19th. Students voted to select “She’s the Man” as the movie. The event will cost $1900 plus 4 hours of custodial and security. They are planning to charge $5 per ticket. To date only 3 tickets have been sold. There is some talk the students want a different movie. It was pointed out that another recent event Promania was well planned and advertised but sparsely attended. They are questioning whether to continue with the movie plans. If we cancel we may lose some money in deposits. Gates are to open at 7:45 with the movie starting at 8:15. The Board decided to move forward and try to increase the advertising efforts.

* 1. Academic Enrichment – Alissa Glatter

Mini Grant committee meeting will be held this week with notifications made by Friday.

Honor Role recognition is scheduled for tomorrow.

Debbie Dargis is looking for volunteers to help with Honors Night.

Ann Marie Cassidy asked about recognition for National Merit Finalists.

* 1. Student Activities –

Leslie Fox and Denise Abramow are still working on finalizing arrangments for the Senior Carnival.

* 1. Membership

This has been a great year for Membership! Beverly Henson will give a giant sales pitch to teachers at the barbeque. Ann Marie Cassidy will send a list to Stephanie Mitra of club money for people who did not want their personalized bricks.

* 1. Legislation

This coming Saturday is the North Fulton Council Meeting. Lisa Shanklin plans to attend. Voter registration is planned for April 20th.

* 1. Communications

Upcoming Dates:

March 16th Honor Roll Recognition

March 19th Screen on the Green

March 21-25 Wellness Week

March 22nd Custom College Planning Lunch and Learn

March 30th Real Estate Lunch and Learn

April 2-10th Spring Break

April 12th Next Board Meeting