



**PTSA General Meeting
Meeting Minutes
2/06/2020**

- I. Call to Order, at 6:19

- II. Brook Castino- Welcomes everyone
 - i. Trevor not in attendance, Dr. Dawkins present in his absence, no school report.
 - ii. APS shirts will be on display available for purchase/order. Cost will be \$16. Goal is to gather orders, submit in 2 weeks and have shirts in by mid-October.

- b. Treasurer, Wendy Coomes:
 - i. Total Income is \$89,061.67 . Total expenses \$43,629.88.

- c. Becky Junad- Falcon Fund updates
 - i. Some of the teachers want to know what is happening with the money for Falcon Fund, so she has created a google drive.
 - ii. Number one item Trevor wants to work on is the hallway by the media center to make it prettier and more inviting for students.
 - iii. Most exciting items we will be purchasing the collaboration space décor, we have four collaboration spaces, we are receiving input from the teachers on how we can utilize the space.
 - iv. Lastly the beautification of the outside space, adding tables, possibly covered.
 - v. Question from audience, making the school comfortable is a priority, but I want to know when we will get to the point of our school paying for field trips instead. This is happening around the nation and I want to know how long this will take to happen. In response Becky-There are special funds allocated to students that need help to pay for the fieldtrips, none of our students have ever missed a fieldtrip due to funding. Dr. Dawkins on collaboration space- A maker's space is a space that is used for a variety of things, important that the furniture is able to be moved around easily. The spaces will give our kids and adults to work on projects, or work on items that they are brainstorming on, a "think tank space". Each space will be unique on how it can be used and how the space will be utilized.

- d. VP of Fundraising, Kristen Reynolds Fundraising updates
 - i. Holiday Shoppe -we raised around \$2200

- ii. Falcon 5k- We got our 3.1 in, thank you to Park Life, B3, East end for sponsoring. Still tallying the numbers, raised approximately 10k. Question from the audience, did we net the 10k or was the revenue, Kristen- we netted 10k.
 - iii. Brooke- We have a run club on Wednesday mornings, we would love to do the smile mile, working towards 25 runners.
- e. VP of Events, Brooke Castino for Kristin Morgan
- i. International night, we had 13 countries represented with food and items, and info on the countries. We had a Latino dancer and Chinese dragon.
 - ii. Chinese NY we served food in the cafeteria, we had fun facts on the news, and items in the media center.
 - iii. Black History month, Door decorating contest, last week of February there will be some interactive performances from the 8th graders.
 - iv. March is women's empowerment month and Ashely French will be helping with that.
 - v. Question from the audience, I asked for additional \$300 for cultural arts, looks like we are out of money. We increased to \$800 total and we have about half left still.
 - vi. Arts at Audubon, we may not do that but we will do something similar that represents similar goals.
 - vii. Next week is staff appreciation, we have breakfasts and lunches planned. Massages, Barre 3 with exercise, every day is a different theme that your child can participate in.
 - viii. Night at the nest is set for Sunday March 8th.
 - ix. Talent Show is April 23rd, we are hoping that the students will help lead this more this year.
- f. PIE Coordinator, Will Dukes
- i. We have been very fortunate with our partners, we are working on our next meeting at the school for our committee. One of the key things we want to take on is creating a directory for our parents, staff, and partners.
 - ii. Spirit night, adults and parents only at Redlight Redlight 6-11pm.
 - iii. Question from audience- How do the parents get their businesses involved. Will-have them reach out and we will add them to the list to see how we can get them involved. Brittany-there is a link on the website for PIE as well, we can include a link in the newsletters.
 - iv. Question from the audience-Is it possible that a part of PIE can extend their reach to restaurants outside of the area to minority businesses. Will- Absolutely we are happy to.
- g. Brooke with New business
- i. No one in the audience had any new business
 - ii. Nominating committee, according to the bylaws we must vote in a nominating committee to slate the Executive board positions, according to our by laws there can be no less than 3,

- and we will have 5. We sent this out and didn't get any response so we reached out to the grade reps to ask for help, we had five that were willing to be a part of the committee.
- iii. Devin Q, Jennifer Cathcart, Kelly Tatro, Annette Reyes, Trisha Pastor.
 - iv. Drew- we need a motion from the floor- Francee Williams moved that we vote yes on the 5 names given Tracey Foust second. Discussion: the process is that we accept applications for the executive committee and then these people will discuss and vote on who will be elected. Any further discussion.....all in favor.... The l's have it unanimously, motion stands.
 - v. Brooke- We have an online interest form, ours is also different because we can nominate someone for positions on the board. Deadline is March 1st so that the nominating committee has time to review applicants.
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- h. Dr. Dawkins- One of the things is that the school can work with you to get the information out on how to get involved. We have an upcoming meeting, On February 20th, for the West Winter park zip code, that everyone is invited to. We will share how to get involved, and how to be active as a member. The hope is that the bigger and broader the outcast is that we can get the message out to a bigger group of diverse people. Phone calls will be made to invite people to this meeting.
 - i. Officer Vance- I wanted to come and speak with everyone, my job is to do everything I can to keep your kids safe. We do drills every month, for weather, active assailant drill. We did an active assailant drill last week and afterwards I was upset with some of the things we heard coming out of kids. Some things that were conveyed is that some of the children were not taking it seriously. I would like to ask that you all have conversations with your children about what are they supposed to do.
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- vi. Meeting Adjourned at 7:30 PM