

## Approved

### BCS PTSA Clearinghouse Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2016

**Attendees: L. Duzan, S. Byrne, J. Frishman, H. Sherman, A. Acey, S. Shenefelt, A. Vohra, J. Hill, M. Morawski, D. Patterson**

The meeting was called to order at 1:15PM.

#### **Our PTSA Dollars at Work: Julie Frishman (3/4 Teams: Frishman/Butzin & Parkin/Wallington)**

Mrs. Frishman presented how PTSA funds assisted the 3/4 Team with the purchase of a Hydroponic Garden. She detailed the interdisciplinary learning process the students experienced through this project (students documented the project through the Seesaw application).

1. A need was identified: farming
2. ZipGrow Towers were purchased.
3. Students researched crops & voted.
4. The students built hydroponic tower gardens, and then they experimented with growing mint and balancing ph.
5. Success – their struggle to successfully grow plants resulted in students composing a business letter to ask for a refund.

This is excellent example of project-based and inter-disciplinary learning!

The meeting minutes of April 14, 2016 were approved. **(Motion – D. Patterson, 2<sup>nd</sup> – H. Sherman)**

#### **Principal's Report – Mr. Morawski & Mr. Hill**

- Great Career Day!  
3/4 had one live presenter.  
5/6 had two live presenters.  
7/8 had eight presenters across six categories (pathways).
- Upcoming events:  
May 13 – 7/8 Dance  
May 17 – Mexicantown Field Trip  
May 19 – 7/8 Walkout Video  
May 20 – Volunteer & Retiring Staff Appreciation (8-9:30AM)  
May 20 – 6-8 Video Game Night  
May 24 – Yoga Night
- M-STEP – Final week of testing and make-ups is next week.
- BCS Sports Update:  
Track team is undefeated.  
Tennis wraps up the week of 5/16.  
MHSAA – 6<sup>th</sup> graders can play on 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade teams

#### **Co-Chairs' Report – Georgene Moran & Alicia Acey**

- Reflections, Volunteer of the Year, & PTSA President reception was well represented by BCS.
- Volunteer positions are still available: BoxTops (Fundraising), Legislative, etc.
- Rachel Ann Miller has volunteered as the Volunteer Coordinator.
- District does a great job responding in crisis (recent event at high school)!

## **Treasurer's Report – Shelli Adams & Sheryl Shenefelt**

- Current budget is in great shape!  
\$15,000 went through for sound system.  
8<sup>th</sup> grade gift (Sustainability) – Water bottle filling station, sink for liquids/food in an effort to recycle emptied containers, & recycle bins
- 3/4 Team – Budget Request for Wacky Recess (need more for Kona Ice)  
Motion: S. Shenefelt moved to increase Wacky Recess budget from \$2750 to \$3000.  
Second: Shannon Byrne

### **2016-2017 Proposed Budget**

- Amendments
  1. Zero income for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration (45010) and budget \$2000 for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Farewell Celebration (50760)
  2. PTSA Management – must discuss (in fall meeting) what to do with \$5000 or as proposed put in Unspent Funds.

Motion: S. Bryne moved to approve budget as amended. Second: A. Vohra

## **Committee Reports**

- **3/4 Room Parents - Diana Patterson & Alifya Vohra**  
End of the Year Party – Changes
  - Mad Science will present from 10:30-11:30 “Sounds Like Science”
  - Deal on pizzas
  - Cancelling Tie-Dye
- **5/6 Room Parents – Sue Wright & Laura Duzan**  
No report
- **7/8 Room Parents – Nicole Corum & Kathy Barnas**  
No report
- **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation – Kathy Barnas**  
No report
- **Wellness – Daniela Davis**  
No report
- **Reflections - Diana Patterson**  
Entries will be returned to teachers.  
No Art Show  
Reflections will be in summer packets; will update site with new documents
- **BLAST - Deanna Brown**  
Auction Chair is needed.
- **Community Connections – Harriet Sherman**  
5/17 – New Family Breakfast – 7:45-8:30AM

## **Executive Slate Nominations:**

2<sup>nd</sup> Year PTSA Co-Chair – Alicia Acey

1<sup>st</sup> Year PTSA Co-Chairs – Alifya Vohra & Shannon Bryne

Expense Treasurer – Sheryl Shenefelt

Income Treasurer – Shelli Adams

Secretaries – Laura Duzan & Sue Wright

Alicia Acey confirmed and approved executive slate for 2016-2017.

**New Business**

- Friends of Different Learners Awards is this evening.

**Old Business**

- None

**The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 PM. (Motion – S. Shenefelt, 2<sup>nd</sup> – D. Patterson)**

**Handouts:** BCS PTSA Clearinghouse Meeting Agenda for May 12, 2016, Unapproved BCS PTSA Clearinghouse Meeting Minutes for April 14, 2016, BCS PTSA CLEARINGHOUSE Budget Report for 2016-2017 (Proposed)

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