

PTA Executive Board Meeting Minutes

March 12, 2024

Start time 1:15pm

End time 2:05pm

Present: Mr. Ross, Brittany Boyd, Melissa Kendall, Vanessa Hester, Tiffany Sanders, Katie Stern, Marlena Gano

Principal's Report:

- TA Popcorn bar was a hit! Great job!
- Our baselines (projections) for next school year came out. We are projected at just over 900 students. We will go from 10 to 9 first grade classes, while all other grade levels will stay the same.
- The Federal ESSR money runs out this summer. Therefore, we will lose some of our reading intervention positions that were funded this way. The district has helped offset the reduction so we will not lose as much as we originally expected. We are going from 3.25 to 2.5 intervention teachers.
- We are adding a special education class next year. It is called multicategory self-contain for students in grades k5-2nd. These students are working 2 to 3 years below grade level based on their disability. Mrs. Gentry will be the teacher, and we will hire to fill her resource position.
- We are currently running an after-school tutorial program on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This is funded with ESSR money. We are serving over 40 students.
- Our 4th grade challenge students competed against other Greenville Country students in a Bridge competition. They placed 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th in structural design.
- Test Anxiety Parent Workshop- on April 9 @ noon we will have Lori Nelson, Counselling who specialized in children with anxiety) here to present to families on best ways to support your child. Please mark this date on your calendar.

President's Report:

- Request from Mrs. Fallis: Due to rising costs of supplies and after an increase for membership dues, our Super Soles Running Club is reaching out to PTA in the hopes to request funds to help with our 5K Celebration at the beginning of April. We are requesting \$100.00 to help purchase some treats to help celebrate our runners after they complete their 5k. Club is only for 5th grade. We have about \$300 left in the grant budget so we can approve this for the club. APPROVED. Melissa to let Michelle know.
- 2024-2025 Executive Board update
 - Proposed board
 - Melissa Kendall (President)
 - Kendall Coggins (VP of Communications)
 - Kam Winslett (VP of Ways and Means)
 - All other board positions staying for their 2nd term.

- o Has Michelle gotten back to Sara Beasley about board positions being full?
- o Send out descriptions of open committee positions in the call out/Mr. Ross' email to fill those positions.

Treasurer's Report:

- Should we consider a PTA credit card?? Marlena will look into this.
- Teacher grants in the future-- Form a committee with 3 people to help review this.
- We will need to approve the budget for next year. Date??

VP of Programs Report:

- Boosterthon – on track for a successful event on Thursday.
- Kids to wear class tshirts and bring a water bottle.
- Money going towards-- Library storybook walk out in courtyard. Music instruments. Lego wall steam lab. Water fountain in the cafeteria. PE wants to bring archery to us. All areas are getting something.
- Mr. Ross and boosterthon meet and share ideas. Solicit faculty. Mr. Ross can push certain things. Playground was a few years in the making. Some years if we have big ideas he can push that. Book vending machines were strictly PTAs idea. Sunshade replacement is around \$60,000 for the future. Outdoor classroom (Mr. James is a contractor) he walked through with Ross to see if it's possible. He said he thinks it is doable but wasn't able to give an exact price. When we were discussing all of these ideas we were trying to come up with a play on workshop/with the theme.

VP of Ways & Means Report:

- Spirit Nights – April 2, Chick-Fil-A (woodruff road location)

VP of Volunteers Report:

- Teacher appreciation week April 22-26.
 - o We will need a signup genius for this. Please coordinate with the Teacher Appre group so we can launch that for donations and also for parents to cover lunch relief on Friday. They need \$800 extra to cover TA week. APPROVED. VIVA Chicken to be the catered lunch. All Around the World Theme.
 - o Is there a location to host the lunch for the teachers? Guidance room 508 April 26th
 - o Katie to send out an email requesting lunch coverage on Friday. Goal to try to have teachers to have lunch coverage for every day that week.
 - o Ask teachers what school supply items they could use. School supply day, bring your teacher a flower, etc. let room moms coordinate. Send home a flyer with daily things that are happening.

- Signup genius for testing go out the week we get back from spring break. Monica Critell & Autumn Cline to get back to Katie Stern on what they need. Katie to know by the end of this week what they need.

VP of Communications Report:

- Looking to start a newsletter to go out to PTA members on a regular basis
 - Perhaps newsletters in children's folders to support our call outs on a monthly or quarterly basis
 - Email to PTA members at a regular interval as well.
- Looking to also engage the committee volunteers moving forward.
 - Michelle to send the list of volunteers from August to Melissa

Secretary Report:

- Nothing to report

Teacher Representatives:

- Nothing to report.