

ALCS PTA Council
Thursday, February 23, 2017

Call to Order: 9:03 a.m.

Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome- Christa Olijar

Secretary: Sue Mueller
Minutes filed as written.

Bob Scott:

Letters from the high school for the Honors Banquet will be sent out soon.

Governor's biannual budget was released. It looks like Avon Lake would receive an increase, but they left out a few pieces, such as tangible personal tax. We have been working to make that a permanent change. The governor's budget is not good for us. They are reducing bussing by 13%. The budget goes into effect for next school year.

Fair Funding is that every school system in Ohio would get a minimal amount. We would like to get as much as the parochial schools get. St. Joe's gets about \$13,000 per student while AL receives \$750 per student. We are considered a high property wealth district and is the reasoning for the funding (PolyOne, Ford, etc.).

ESSA (Every Student Succeeds) is the federal requirement for education. No child left behind was around for about 15 years. It stayed in effect for about five years after it ended. Last year, changes were made to it and are now called ESSA and currently, all accountability, standards, and testing comes from ESSA. The State's original draft proposal are not supported by superintendents. 24 tests are currently required. Why would we lock ourselves into doing more than what the federal regulations require? This plan does not need to be in until September; however, the State wants this complete by April.

President's Report- Christa Olijar

Needs a nominating committee for Treasurer, Secretary, and Programs VP. Kristen will chair nominating committee.

Nancy – Treasurer

POTTS Award nominations are due April 1.

Treasurer's Report- Katy Grove

Beginning Cash Balance: \$13,025.15

Net Cash Balance Available: \$13,025.72

Motion: Nancy Klingshirn & Kristen Masa. Motion approved

Council Scholarship dues are coming in.

1st Vice President- Nancy Klingshirn

Since we do not have a program this year, we would like to give that money to another organization. Suggestions are After Prom, the new and Orchestra Boosters. Orchestra Boosters are not considered a non-profit until they have \$500. We have \$1,000 to give to both parties. Consideration is to be given and research on PTA Council giving to another organization.

Motion to move \$500 from Programs to After Prom.

Motion: Jennifer Dalman, and Kristen Masa

Motion Passed.

2nd Vice President- Elizabeth Gedeon

Luncheon is at Parker's on May 18 at 11:30 a.m. Presidents will have information at March meeting. RSVP's are due May 1. Nancy will be emceeding the luncheon.

Committee Reports:

Library: Jill Ralston
No Report.

Benefits: Tru Pace
Currently, there aren't local benefits. There is an Economic Development Director, Ted Esborn, at the city that may be able to help in putting together a list.

Bylaws: Kristen Masa
Bylaws chair is needed for next year.

Curriculum: Margo Bodnar

Health, Safety, and Welfare: Nancy Klingshirn
No report.

Membership: Elizabeth Gedeon
There is 56% participation in membership in the district of staff. Over \$60,000 in gifts to school has been given in the past year. Two ideas to get to 100% membership are; Presentation at in-service before school starts, and each principal will work with each school's PTA membership chair to increase staff participation. Mr. Peltz, when teaching, as a member, staff was given an invitation to conference dinners. The first staff meeting at each school staff will be given a brown bag of things PTA does for the school. A suggestion was given that staff is given a sticker after joining PTA.

Reflections: Ashley Whitehead
March 19 is the show. Help is needed to set up show, help during show, and cleanup. The Builders Club at Troy is being asked to help, and Mr. Moore has been asked to emcee.

Scholarships: Jennifer Dalman
Tru needs to find someone else to evaluate scholarships. Tru should not be scholarship going forward since she works directly with high school students.

Delegates/ New Business

Put Google docs of school reports in minutes.

Adjourn: 10:14 a.m.

Next meeting is Thursday, March 23, 2017, at 9 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sue Mueller