

M I N U T E S

FCAHS PTO Meeting
January 16, 2019 1:00 pm

Call to Order: 1:05pm

Attendees: Attending today's meeting were: Kelly Caracciolo, Elizabeth Klamut, Candace Uricchio, Sandy Garcia-Tunon, Erin Butkovic, Mike Hower, Patty Lee, Liz Rambeau

President's Welcome- Sandy Garcia-Tunon

Treasurer's Report- Anne Marie DeGeorge

- Report is attached
- AM will continue as treasurer through this year

HS Principal's Update- Mike Hower

- Every two years the FCASD chooses a different beneficiary to receive funds from the district-wide telethon. That decision for 2019-2020 will be made in April. Organizations must advocate for themselves
- HS has just completed a "Connection survey" —asking staff how well they think they are connecting to students at the HS
- Raptor system is now in place. This security system screens for persons convicted of sexual assault; in the HS, if the system alerts about an individual, that person is still allowed into the building but would be escorted in the halls (as are all visitors to the high school)
- Safe2SaySomething system is now up and running; this is a mandated PA state program that allows people to call anonymously and report suspicious activity (especially social media activity)
- Career and College Essentials is being improved and may go before Board to become a required course
- Potential new course: exercise science (via PE/Health) this would be an elective. Needs board approval as do all new courses
- Terrace furniture and charging stations: PTO is granting \$9100 for two table charging stations that each charge 16 devices (phone, tablet, computer). Both will be equipped with a battery so that stations are mobile and do not need to be tethered to a wall for power. The batteries will be plugged in to charge every night by custodial staff.

- Furniture for commons patio: students in advanced engineering course will make some of the furniture with PTO funding some of the materials. Students will present designs at the next PTO meeting

HS Activities Update- Erin Butkovic

- Telethon made \$45,188.75 this year for Make-a-Wish.
- Tapestry deadline coming up
- No blood drive this winter

District Administration Update

- No member of administration attending

FC's Got Talent- Candace Uricchio

- Sponsor solicitation mailing has gone out
- First group has stepped up: 321-Blink for \$250.
- Posters and graphics are done and FCASD says large donations (1000+) can be added to the advertising
- Judges are set up—2 judges
- Monica Hertzman has made website for auditions
- Announcements for students on schoology will go out next week—beginning of semester

District Forum

- Has changed bylaws to conform with FCASD guidelines
- Sandy Garcia-Tunon is president of DF for remainder of school year
- Next public meeting: Feb 26, 9am in LGI: will be Tim Mahoney on how to interact with special ed children, to respond to concerns that grew out of a PALS meeting

Start School Later- Liz Rambeau

- The deputy superintendent has called a district-wide site based meeting on school start times for February 6, 2019, 6-7:15pm
- This follows a district-wise site-based meeting that took place on November 7, 2017

Any other old or new business including: February Open House, Foxes Burrow, wellness day

- Rachel Machen on Foxes Burrow: Optimists Club has donated \$500 for this year. Teacher drive is also targeting making a donation. Burrow needs to be funded as needed; PTO plans to look at a line item for annual ongoing budgetary needs. For now, the burrow is full and the budget has more money for future needs
- Feb 7 Open House: Help needed for PTO table 5:45-8pm
- Wellness Day: Guidance department (R. Machen) and PTO provided smoothies, healthy snacks, animal friends therapets to HS students.
- New business: Elizabeth Klamut suggested teaching sleep hygiene to students as part of the new wellness initiative, and possibly providing pillows and blankets through the Fox's Burrow

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 2:22

Respectfully submitted by Liz Rambeau

Next meeting: Wed. Feb 20, 9:30am

Future meetings: Wed. March 20, 1pm
Wed. April 10. 9:30am
Wed. May 15, 1pm

Attachment: Treasurer's Report

FOX CHAPEL AREA HIGH SCHOOL PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION, INC. (FCAHS PTO)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Anne Marie DeGeorge
January 16, 2019

Opening Bank Balance 11-14-18	\$28,342
Ending Bank Balance 1-16-2019	<u>28,342</u>

NOTE: There was no financial activity since our last meeting.

Year Ending June 30, 2019	2018-2019 BUDGET			ACTUAL as of 1/16/2019			Notes
	RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES	NET INCOME/ (EXPENSE)	RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES	NET INCOME/ (EXPENSE)	
Membership Contributions	\$4,000		\$4,000	\$2,935		\$2,935	
FC's Got Talent (Fundraiser)	\$4,000	\$1,500	\$2,500			\$0	
Valentine's Candygram Fundraiser	\$0	\$0	\$0			\$0	
Homecoming Carnival	\$0	\$0	\$0			\$0	
Charitable Grant				\$1,000			
Welcome Back Staff Breakfast		\$1,500	(\$1,500)		\$1,500	(\$1,500)	
New Student Breakfast		\$200	(\$200)		\$88	(\$88)	
Bank & Insurance fees		\$300	(\$300)		\$250	(\$250)	
Building Enhancements (Patio Furniture)		\$10,000	(\$10,000)			\$0	
District Forum website hosting donation		\$100	(\$100)				
Other PTO Expenses & Postage		\$200	(\$200)		\$39	(\$39)	
Student/Family needs		\$500	(\$500)		\$241	(\$241)	
Senior Breakfast		\$1,500	(\$1,500)			\$0	
TOTAL BUDGET/ACTUAL	\$8,000	\$15,800	(\$7,800)	\$3,935	\$2,118	\$817	