

West Millbrook Middle School

PTA Meeting

Minutes from February 23, 2016

Present: Officers: M. Miller, H. Hodges, A. Lomax

Staff: Ms. Reese, Ms. Kerns

Minutes: Prepared by Aimee Lomax

Opening: M. Miller opened the meeting beginning 7:04 PM

Total in Attendance: 14

Welcome: Michelle Miller, PTA

Principal's Update:

none-Ms. Aman has had a family emergency and is working part time this week.

Secretary's Report: A. Lomax- after discussion during the meeting regarding the need for a vote from the PTA members (there is not, only approval by PTA board is required) we are announcing the appointment of Michelle Miller as PTA President. As she has been the acting president already there isn't much change, we are just making sure we are in compliance with our bylaws.

Approval of the minutes:

January 26, 2016 minutes-motion made by Holly Hodges and seconded by Eva Lee

Treasurer Report: H. Hodges

Not any significant change since the last meeting. We have received a check from Target for \$675.21 that is not on the budget yet. Unfortunately Target is discontinuing this program next year. We did receive \$23 from Amazon Smile.

President's Report: none

Vice President's Report: M Moody

none

Committee Reports:

A honor Roll breakfast: (M. Miller) Breakfast was last week

Passive Fundraising: (B. Shanahan) we received \$41 from last night's Spirit night at Milton's from 5-10. Looking at a date in March to have a spirit night at the new Moe's in Brennan Station on Creedmoor Road. Planning a night at Chik Fil A in April.

(A. Faust) Boxtops competition going on this week. It will be advertised on morning announcements and a phone blast home.

Newsletter: (M. Miller) The deadline for the next newsletter is coming up soon. Email any information to be included to Jeannie Hodges, her email is on the website.

March Madness: (M. Miller) About 50 people completed the survey we sent out. Results were mixed. 80% would support a straight donation but would also support March Madness in some form. Since we already have the date on the calendar we are doing March Madness this year and will look at if we want to change for next year. Athletic Boosters is running concessions, PTA will be in charge of the games, dance and band performance, raffle for the candy boards, and other contests including a knockout game with the staff. We decided to move back to the evening time slot 6-7:30 on March 18th. There is a sign up genius for volunteer requests. We have not determined a ticket price yet.

Character Education: (M. Miller) Both Carla and Joy will be gone next year so we need 2 new chairs for this committee.

Advocacy: (J. Bulmer) The last meeting was cancelled again due to weather. The next one won't be until the fall.

8th Grade Dance: (M. Miller) Ms. Walters sent an email last week looking for volunteers. Laura Smith has a theme- "Class of 2020 has vision" and has started work on decorations. She is collecting glasses of any kind for decorations, they will be donated afterwards.

District Rep: (A. Rogers) Ann attended the February 8th meeting. The main focus was explaining the new districts. Our new district will be from Brier Creek to Garner and include 64 schools. All 9 board members are up for reelection in November for the 7 new districts and 2 "at large" chairs. It is unclear how this will work with such a large group, meeting will be challenging to find a space large enough to accommodate everyone and be central to as many as possible. The next meeting is April 11th at Millbrook. All 3 districts that are "merging" will be there.

Teacher Reps: (M. Reece) The staff would like to know when curriculum assistance money need to be spent? Decided on March 23rd with extensions available. Thursday and Friday the 7th grade will go on field trips-skating which will include STEM activities.

M. Kerns The 8th grade Biltmore trip is Wednesday March 23rd. Numbers are confirmed and the busses are ordered. Social studies classes are talking about the industrial revolution and pulling in the Vanderbilts into the discussion. March 11th is the 6th grade field trip.

Nominating Committee: (M. Miller) Our bylaws require a nominating committee- A. Lomax, H. Hodges, and E. Lee volunteer. This committee is formed to find candidates for the officer positions.

Spring pictures are this Friday and 2 volunteers are needed.

Upcoming Events are noted on the agenda.

A question was raised about the status of the school remodel/rebuild. The options have been narrowed to 2 where one is a renovation that would cost ten million more than the demolition/rebuild option. The other is a three story building built where the softball fields are now which would mean the students would stay in the current buildings during the remodel.

Meeting is adjourned at 7:58 pm