

RFMS PTA March 2018 Meeting minutes

Meeting Date: 3/13/2018, 7 pm

Attendees: Janice Frankford, Amy Bryan, Cheryl Miller, Liza Gully, Kal Saha, George Sellers, Xuan Zhang, Shuhong Li, Vidya Thirumalai

Delegate Report (George Sellers)

- BOE will hold the Community Budget meeting at Frost on Thursday from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.
- March 19 - March in Annapolis to get more money for education from gambling revenue. Gambling revenue has gone into the education in the past few years, but other money that was going into the education has been redirected to other areas of the budget, resulting in no net increase for education.
- Wootton renovation: Wootton renovation is on hold for now. Rebuilding Dufief will be complete by August 2019, and will accommodate 740 students. This will relieve the overcrowding at Rachel Carson.
- MCPS is reevaluating the safety measures at all schools in the county.
- 5/24, 6-9 pm – MCCPTA Awards Assembly, will be at the Montgomery college.

Vote on funding items: Voted on the funding for the buses for the afterschool clubs. Additional funds were collected from the community for continuing the funding for the buses for the afterschool clubs. Also the budget needs a line item to include the spirit wear purchase (\$3K) at the beginning of the school year. We have sold about half of it, PTA cannot make profit from the spiritwear. Amy motioned the approval, Vidya seconded the motion.

Treasurer report: Janice provided the Treasurer report.

- Fundraiser got a good response to cover buses for after school funding.
- We made \$3K in spiritwear.
- 16 new members joined the PTA.
- MCCPTA dues and paypal fees paid.
- PTA did not pay for outdoor ed this year, each student was charged \$4 extra to cover the entertainment portion of the outdoor ed. PTA did not enough money to cover outdoor ed at the beginning of the school year.

President Report: Cheryl gave an update on the PTA.

- After school club fundraiser – we made \$3140 to cover the bus expenses.
- Total sales from Book fair is \$8K. 20% is for PTA. \$700 of the PTA portion was given as books to the media center.
- George will stay on as Delegate next year, Monica Foster will chair Book fair and Callie and Renee will continue Spirit wear.
- Proposed Slate of officers will be elected at the May meeting.

Principal updates: Dr. Jones gave an update from school.

- STEAM night was a success. Over 600 participants attended the event.
- Culture night was well attended.

- Planned student walkout on 3/14 – it is being student-led and student-organized. It will be during SOAR.
- Principal and Parent Breakfast, 3/16. The topic will be how to talk to your child about race, MCPS staff and Frost staff will facilitate the discussion.
- 3/22 – Trip to China. 3 students and 1 staff (Mr. Reddington) are going on the trip.
- 3/19 – spirit week
- 3/23 – All day basketball jamboree
- Frost school website has been redesigned, with positive feedback from parents.
- Dr. Jones gave a presentation on MCPS School Safety and Security Presentation.

Meeting ended at 8:34 pm.

Minutes recorded by Vidya Thirumalai