



Chamblee Charter High School PTSA
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"Every child. One Voice."

General Membership Meeting
January 14, 2013

Minutes

Call to Order/Welcome – at 7:10pm.

Attendees: 19 members were in attendance. A quorum was established.

Review/Approval of Minutes – The Membership was asked to read the minutes from the last General meeting (November 12, 2012). The minutes were approved as read.

Principal's Report- Highlights from Dr. Lowery's report include:

- Georgia Health Survey II was conducted January 9th – 11th.
- Teacher Key Effectiveness System Surveys of Instructional Practices will start Jan. 22nd. Per the new evaluation system, each teacher must have two classes of surveys.
- SAT Day is April 17th for 11th graders. It will be funded by DCSD.
- PLASCO Trak (the new tardy system) is operational as of Jan. 14th.
- Spirit Day: Every Friday during a designated period, teachers will count the number of students wearing spirit wear. The grade with the most points at the end of the month will be rewarded. Should a grade level win three of the four competition months, they will have an outdoor event.
- Principal's Club is progressing. The 11th and 12th grade students will start student-led Conferences near the end of February.
- Northside Scholarship: We received a \$500 scholarship from Northside Hospital (an education partner). That money will be used to purchase first-aid and medical supplies for the Attendance Office.
- Construction is on schedule.

Treasurer's Report – Due to the absence of the Treasurer, no report was made.

Committee Reports-

Career Fair- Lisa reported that this Jan. 15th event was cancelled. It will not be re-scheduled during this school year.

College Fair- Chauncey reported that the College Fair will be held February 9, 2013. Workshops will start at noon on that date. The Fair will start at 1 pm. Sub-committee meetings will be held soon. Please check the Blast for dates and times.

Campus Beautification- Lisa reported that Nancy Farrey will Chair this committee. Feb. 2nd is the next Day of Service.

Reflections- Chris Swainson reported that every student who submitted an entry to Council won 1st or 2nd place. There were 10 participants at this level. Artwork not going to State will be displayed in the Media Center.

Publicity- Vanessa Fisher requested information to assist with publicizing the College Fair.

Pine Straw Sale- Lisa reported that work is being done to finalize a date in March. It is typically held from 9am – 2pm. We were reminded that students can earn service hours for their participation.

Cultural Arts- Rosemary Reported that the 9th grade program (Laughing Matters) will be held on Jan. 16th. The 12th grade program (Slam Poet Tasha Jones) will be held Jan. 30th.

Directory- Lisa reported that the directories were distributed prior to Thanksgiving. 300 directories were printed. Some directories are still available for purchase from Ms. Coleman.

Bulldog Bash- A chairperson is needed for this committee. It is held graduation night.

Volunteer Opportunities – An appeal was made for Hospitality committee volunteers. Additionally, Dr. Lowery requested help with ideas for Teacher Appreciation (Tues., May 7th).

Old Business

STEM – the next meeting will be held on Jan. 17th.

ACE Program- Nancy Kelly reported that this is a six-week after-school program that is free to participants. See acementor.org for details.

Fab Friday- Ruth reported that it was held on Dec. 14th and was well received by the faculty and staff. The next date is TBD.

New Business

PTA vs. PTO- Lisa reported that due to the size of our PTSA, it may be more financially feasible to become a PTO. The Membership was asked to visit ptotoday.com for more information.

Other Discussions- Dr. Lowery answered questions raised by the Membership.

Adjournment – A motion to adjourn was made by Ruth Kenny. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

Carmen Walker,
Recording Secretary