



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

General Membership Meeting
February 11, 2013

Minutes

Call to Order/Welcome – at 7:10pm by Anita King.

Attendees: 16 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 (January 14, 2013). A motion for approval was made by Nancy Kelly. The minutes were approved with a revision to the Reflections report.

Blue & Gold Foundation Update – Ms. Farrey reported that the Foundation's Silent Auction will be held on March 23rd at Holiday Inn Perimeter at 7pm. Tickets are \$30 in advance and \$40 at the door. Tickets can also be purchased on the website (www.chsblueandgoldfoundation.org). Persons must be 21 years of age or older to attend. There will be music, food, and a cash bar. Items for auction include a baseball autographed by Chipper Jones, student art, gift cards, and 4 one-day passes to Disney World. The membership was asked to forward ideas for auctionable items to Lisa Reagan.

Election of Treasurer – Lisa reported that Christina DiFonzo has submitted her resignation as Treasurer. The Executive Committee recommends Chiu Siah (aka Cindra Siah, Cindra Tan) as treasurer. The motion for a vote was made by Vice President Chauncey Newsome. Ms. Siah received a majority vote. Therefore, Ms. DiFonzo is the outgoing Treasurer. We thank her for her service. Authorized signers on the CCHS PTSA checking account will be Anita King, Carmen Walker, Chiu Siah, and Lisa Thule.

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

- Enrollment = 1225
- Teacher Parent-teacher conferences will be February 21st, 3:30-5:30pm. Also, there is a Music concert on Feb. 21st at 7:00pm.

Principal's Report Cont'd.

- Georgia Health Survey II has been completed
- SAT Day is April 17th. Registration days are March 11 and 12. 11th grade students must register in-house.
- The charter Renewal Process is on-going. All were encouraged to get involved.
- Seniors won the Spirit Day competition for January. They celebrated with an ice cream social on Friday, February 8th.
- There are: 5 Posse Scholarship Recipients, 6 National Achievement Scholarship Recipients, 7 National Merit Scholarship Recipients, and a Gold Key Award Recipient
- The Boys' Swim Team finished 7th in the State, with one swimmer winning 1st place in his event.
- Wrestlers completed Regionals with one wrestler advancing to State-level competition.
- The Basketball Team has started Regional competition.
- The Robotics Team plans to travel to Anaheim, CA for a National competition.

Committee Reports

College Fair- Chauncey reported that the College Fair was held on February 9 and thanked all those who helped, including over 21 student volunteers. Approximately 60 colleges participated. Chauncey and Vanessa Fisher (Publicity Chairperson) were also featured in an Education Forum hosted by Karen Powell on

www.AmericasWebRadio.com. Additionally, a suggestion was made to have a communication piece for college recruiters who visit the Counseling Office reminding them to "Save the Date". Upcoming, will be an Essay Contest for Seniors who are PTSA members to compete for a Scholarship funded by proceeds from the College Fair.

Reflections- Chris Swainson reported that notice of State results is expected at any time. Artwork will be available for pick-up from the County School Board offices on Feb. 21st.

Cultural Arts- Chris Swainson reported that for Black History month she has organized a Video contest. Flyers have been posted around the school. The deadline for submissions is Feb. 22nd. The prize is an iPad Mini. If the winning submission is made by more than one individual, Apple store gift cards will be awarded.

Rosemary reported via email that the 9th grade program (Laughing Matters) was held on Jan. 16th. The 12th grade program (Slam Poet Tasha Jones) planned for Jan. 30th was cancelled due to inclement weather. The Teddy Roosevelt performance will be held for the 11th grade on Feb. 20th.

Campus Beautification- Nancy Farrey reported that 85 students participated in the Day of Service held Feb. 2nd. Activities included crocheting squares for afghans, writing cards to service men, and dusting and cleaning the Media Center.

Pine Straw Sale- Lisa reported that the sale will be held March 16th. It is typically held from 9am – 2 or 3pm. Letters are being sent out via email to solicit orders. Volunteers are needed.

Bulldog Bash- A chairperson is needed for this committee. It is held graduation night (May 24th).

Volunteer Opportunities – An appeal was made for Nominating Committee volunteers. A chairperson is in place (Monique Newsome). Most of the work performed by this committee is done via phone and email.

Treasurer's Report – Chauncey suggested that the CCHS PTSA purchase a computer and QuickBooks software to house our financial data for the purposes of protecting the integrity of the data.

Questions/Comments From the Floor- Ms. Farrey announced that applications for the Westby Scholarship are available in the Counselor's office. The deadline is Mar. 8th.
- Prom is April 27th at the 755 Club (Turner Field).

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

Carmen Walker,
Recording Secretary