

Blair PTSA Board of Directors Meeting
May 9, 2016
7pm - Blair Media Center

MINUTES

In attendance: Diane Friedman, Maria Portela, Dave Williams, Dirk Cauley, Nina Uzick, Anne Fothergill, Luke Gao, Linda Krimm, Anissa Harris Green, Deb Hopkins

1. Welcome— Diane Friedman

CAP student presentation – Arielle Gottlieb

Wants to build an outdoor classroom next to greenhouse on 2nd floor patio;

She is trying to raise money - needs \$400-650 and has raised \$166 so far.

Has admin support from the chemistry teacher but might need approval from MCPS.

She will work on a more detailed proposal

2. After Prom Update

Need gift cards and volunteers and baked goods

3. Nominations Update

Olivia not at meeting to give update

Samir would like to do the direct appeal again.

Maria will do Los Padres again.

Have to publicize the slate of officers in advance of the May meeting for elections.

Need to turn in our bylaws; Diane will follow up.

4. Treasurer's Report – Dave Williams HANDOUT

New column in budget showing most recent month's income and expenses.

Prediction: we will end up a little ahead this year

Capitol Steps had \$9270 in ticket sales and \$7500 in expenses

If we have money left over, we will talk about contingency spending. There has been a request from one staff person with remaining money in their line item to use it for gift cards; Board does not support that

Linda moved that future PTSA funding requests need to have a description of what the funds will be used for. Anything designated as "gifts" needs to be accounted for by the recipient of the funds (create an audit trail); Nina seconded and the motion passes.

Any increase in expenses needs to go to the Board for review.

Diane reported that Bruce Williams the head track coach purchased 8 sets of true form training equipment for \$1400. Unclear if he requested funds from the athletic department.

5. Principal's Report - Dirk Cauley HANDOUT ATTACHED

National Science Bowl champions

Prom May 21/After Prom May 22

May 25 volunteers needed for senior cap and gown distribution

Mr. Cauley thanked PTSA for funding George B. Thomas Academy

6. Other Business

Linda moved to approve the March 15, 2016 minutes for both Board meeting and General membership meeting and Dave seconded; minutes approved.

May 17 PTSA meeting - election can only happen if we have a slate of officers

Luke – Counseling Advisory Committee will support the reception at the awards ceremony. There is money in Line item 32C. Need volunteers to help on Wednesday May 11 - freshmen and sophomore parents ideal.

Maria – On Saturday June 4 there will be a visit to Montgomery College in Takoma Park for Hispanic parents

Anissa – Minority Student Program just finished its first year with 19 students (approximately). There will be an event on May 17.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.