

Blair PTSA General Membership Meeting
May 16, 2017
7pm - Blair Media Center

MINUTES

1. Welcome – Diane Friedman

2. After Prom – Bowen Fong

There were 50 more kids this year than last year and more juniors attended this year. No incidents. 95 volunteers signed up.

After Prom went from midnight to 4am and ran out of food at 2am

Blair won Montgomery County Keeping Kids Safe award.

A lot of committee members are parents of graduating students and Bowen will chair the committee again or would be happy to pass it onto someone.

3. Principal's Report- Renay Johnson

No incidents at Prom. A lot of staff attended.

This Friday is Student Appreciation Day and individual bags of chips and cookies are needed.

Staffing changes:

-Mr. Currance will be Assistant Principal at Hallie Wells MS

-Ms. Harvey is retiring

-Dr. Nicole Elaine has been hired plus 8 more teachers

Expected 3100 students and will have more English, Math, Social Studies and Science classes.

More students signed up for ASL.

There will be 4 new portables in front of the stadium and we have requested more security staff and cameras

PARCC testing means delayed opening and Puzzlepalooza all week

June 6 Graduation at U-MD

June 16 last day of school

June 20-30 academic boot camps – Blair Summer Institute for math and reading

Boys and girls lacrosse in regional championships tomorrow

Baseball playoff game @ BCC now

Girls softball @ Richard Montgomery

Track and Field to Quince Orchard

4. Treasurer's Report – Dave Williams

Health room snacks (line 30 in budget) – not spending \$185 this year and request that it be moved to new line 40G for summer spending. Line 30 would be changed to \$215. Dave moved to make this change and Anne seconded. Motion was approved. This should also be reflected in next year's budget with the \$400 split into two line items.

Two donors gave \$3000.

Line 1a – unrestricted donations – these aren't necessarily given with membership.

Line 98/99: Kevin Adler of Drama Boosters is working on new account/tax ID #

5. Committee Updates

Membership - Diane

837 members

Staff Appreciation event last Friday – PTSA provided pizza and kale salad for lunch

Ann Marie Staudenmaier is the new chair of staff appreciation committee

MCCPTA – Frances

DCC capacity study and CIP projects: meeting Thursday May 25

Division of Long Range Planning meeting on July 18

2 meetings left for the Woodward study

MCCPTA financial discrepancies of \$40,000

Lynne Harris is the new MCCPTA President

Citrus Sales - Lisa

Will use same company next year and Jenny and Lisa will co-chair again

6. Elections

Frances Frost – Nominee for President

Jenny Ash Maher – Nominee for Treasurer

No nominees for 1st VP, VP for Academic Affairs, VP for Administration, or Secretary.

Diane took new nominations from the floor. There were none.

Frances nominated herself and Anne seconded. Vote taken and Frances was elected President.

Dave nominated Jenny for Treasurer and Anne seconded. Vote taken and Jenny was elected Treasurer.

4. Other Business

Los Padres - Maria

Adult English classes offered at George B. Thomas Saturday school with grant from Montgomery County Adult English Learners

Board of Education working with CASA and Catholic Charities on immigration support; DCC community invited to church across from Blair to meet with pro bono lawyers and notaries (guardianship, power of attorney)

Montgomery College tour for Los Padres students and parents

Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.