Recommendations - Montgomery Blair PTSA Bylaws Amendments

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Blair PTSA Bylaws, approved March 2016, are available: https://blairptsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/Blair_PTSA_Bylaws_Approved_March_2016.pdf

Topic:	Office of Vice President - 1st
Article/Section	Article VII: Duties of Officers, Section 2
Current Wording	The First Vice-President will act as an aide to the President, and carry out
	other duties as assigned.
Recommended Change	The First-Vice-President – Advocacy shall preside in the absence of the
	president; shall serve as an aide to the president in coordinating the will
	act as an aide to the President, and advocacy efforts of the PTSA, and shall
	perform such other duties as he/she may be assigned by the President
	carry out other duties as assigned In the President's absence, the First
	Vice President will represent the PTSA or act as presiding officer. In the
	event of vacancy in the office of the President, the Vice President -
	Advocacy will assume the role of President.
Rationale	Change the title of this Vice President from "First" to "Advocacy"
	Clarify the role of the vice president
Final Wording	The Vice-President – Advocacy shall preside in the absence of the
	president; shall serve as an aide to the president in coordinating the
	advocacy efforts of the PTSA, and shall perform such other duties as he/she
	may be assigned by the President. In the President's absence, the Vice
	President - Advocacy will represent the PTSA and in the event of vacancy in
	the office of the President, the Vice President - Advocacy will assume the
	role of President.

Topic:	Office of Vice President - Academic Affairs
Article/Section	Article VII: Duties of Officers, Section 2
Current Wording	The 2 nd vice-president is vice president of academic affairs, and will carry
	out other duties as assigned.
Recommended Change	The second vice-president is <u>V</u> vice <u>P</u> president <u>-of A</u> academic <u>A</u> affairs, and
	will carry out other duties as assigned shall preside in the absence of the
	president and the Vice President – Advocacy and shall serve as an aide to
	the president by coordinating the -programs and initiatives that support
	the academic success for all students at Blair. They will coordinate the
	work, along with the Chairmen, of PTSA committees focusing on student
	academics and support. The Vice President – Academic Affairs shall
	perform such other duties as he/she may be assigned by the President.

Rationale	Clarify the role of the Vice President – Academic Affairs
Final Wording	The Vice President - Academic Affairs shall preside in the absence of the
	president and the Vice President – Advocacy and shall serve as an aide to
	the president by coordinating the programs and initiatives that support the
	academic success for all students at Blair. They will coordinate the work,
	along with the Chairmen, of PTSA committees focusing on student
	academics and support. The Vice President – Academic Affairs shall
	perform such other duties as he/she may be assigned by the President.

Topic:	Office of Vice President - Administration
Article/Section	Article VII: Duties of Officers, Section 2
Current Wording	The 3 rd vice-president is vice president of administration, and will carry
	out other duties as assigned
Recommended Change	The 3 rd vice-president is vice president of administration, and will carry
	out other duties as assigned. The Vice President- Administration shall
	preside in the absence of the president, the Vice President – Advocacy and
	the Vice President – Academic Affairs and shall serve as an aide to the
	president by coordinating with the Treasurer and Membership Chair on
	administrative and financial requirements. They will coordinate the work,
	along with the Chairmen, of the Membership Committee and all fundraising
	committees. This vice president shall perform such other duties as he/she
	may be assigned by the President.
Rationale	Clarify the role of the Vice President – Administration
Final Wording	The Vice President- Administration shall preside in the absence of the
	president, the Vice President – Advocacy and the Vice President –
	Academic Affairs and shall serve as an aide to the president by
	coordinating with the Treasurer and Membership Chair on administrative
	and financial requirements. They will coordinate the work, along with the
	Chairmen, of the Membership Committee and all fundraising committees.
	This vice president shall perform such other duties as he/she may be
	assigned by the President.

Topic:	Committees
Article/Section	Article X: Committees
Current Wording	The board of directors may create such standing or special committees as it
	may deem necessary to promote the purposes and carry on the work of the
	local PTA/PTSA. Standing committees are: AfterProm, Beautiful Blair, Mini-
	Grants, Counseling Advisory, Membership, Latino Outreach, NAACP, SGA.
Recommended Change	The board of directors may create such standing or special committees as it
	may deem necessary to promote the purposes and carry on the work of the
	local PTA/PTSA. Standing committees are: AfterProm, Beautiful Blair, Mini-

	Grants, Counseling Advisory, Membership, Latino Outreach, NAACP, SGA.
Rationale	Update the bylaws to current practice. Allow the PTSA the flexibility to
	establish committees, as needed.
Final Wording	The board of directors may create such standing or special committees as it
	may deem necessary to promote the purposes and carry on the work of the
	local PTA/PTSA.

Topic:	Board of Directors
Article/Section Current Wording	Article VIII: Board of Directors, Section 2 The board of directors shall consist of the officers of this local PTA/PTSA, the chairs of standing committees, the delegates to the MCCPTA Council, and the principal of the school or a representative appointed by him/her. The president may appoint a parliamentarian (non-voting), subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of this local PTA/PTSA.
Recommended Change	The board of directors shall consist of the officers of this local PTA/PTSA, the chairs of standing committees, the delegates to the MCCPTA Council, the Blair NAACP Parents' Council Representative selected in accordance with the rules of the county-level NAACP Parents' Council, the Student Government Association (SGA) Representative selected in accordance with the rules of the Blair SGA, and the principal of the school or a representative appointed by him/her. The president may appoint a parliamentarian (non-voting), subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of this local PTA/PTSA.
Rationale	Reflects the practice that the NAACP Parents' Council Representative and SGA Representative are not typically chairs of standing committees, but we still value their voices on the board as representatives of key community groups at Blair and want them to have a voting seat at the table.
Final Wording	The board of directors shall consist of the officers of this local PTA/PTSA, the chairs of standing committees, the delegates to the MCCPTA Council, the Blair NAACP Parents' Council Representative selected in accordance with the rules of the county-level NAACP Parents' Council, the Student Government Association (SGA) Representative selected in accordance with the rules of the Blair SGA, and the principal of the school or a representative appointed by him/her. The president may appoint a parliamentarian (non-voting), subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of this local PTA/PTSA.

NOTES for Reference

Vice President - Academic Affairs currently works with the following committees:

- African-American Student Achievement Program
- Counseling Advisory
- Hispanic Outreach (Los Padres)
- NAACP

Vice President - Administration

This Vice-President would coordinate the work, along with the Chairmen, of the following committees:

- Membership
- Mini-Grants
- Fundraising

Standing Committees

- Chairs of the Standing Committees serve on the Board of Directors.
- Roberts' Rules allows for the Executive Committee, the Board, and the membership to establish the Standing and any special committees.