

Blair PTSA General Membership Meeting Minutes
March 15, 2022

- I. PTSA President – Ayo Atterberry (7:02 pm start)
 - a. Welcome and Housekeeping
 - i. Presented the Agenda
 - ii. Mission
 - iii. Housekeeping
 - iv. Update-Volunteers requested
 - v. Upcoming meetings
 - b. Approval of November 2021 general body meeting minutes
 - i. With more than five members of the Executive Board present, as required by the by-laws, there was a quorum to conduct business
 - c. Next meeting: March 15 @ 7 pm
- II. PTSA Treasurer – Rex Robison
 - a. Income - \$35,000
 - b. Expenses - \$15,000
 - c. PTSA gift to school of outdoor tables; heaters not provided due to safety
- III. Principal Renay Johnson
 - a. Celebrations of students: Bliss, Chamber Singers, Regeron Science Scholar, Teens Helping Seniors, etc...
 - b. Counselor Agbedina
 - i. Counselling timeline for course selection and resources
 - ii. Encourage students to seek balance in course registration
 - iii. While no free periods; consider study hall as a course for AP heavy semesters. Consider registering for Bliss tutoring.
 - c. Asst. Principal Carrillo
 - i. data measures
 - ii. to mitigate learning loss: attendance, grades-assessments
 - iii. on-line courses available for credit recovery, on-line pathways for classes not offered
 - d. Asst. Principal Fanning
 - i. While usually 7-9% students absent daily, during omicron surge, through Jan 20: 26% daily absence average. Unclear if covid, concern about covid, school bus driver shortage.
 - ii. Individual teachers permit students to either Zoom attend or meet during a non-instructional period.
 - iii. Blair cannot require certain types of masks
 - f. Mr. Culver – All in Honors
 - i. Outgrowth of project to grow academic equity
 - ii. Severe underrepresentation of Latinx and African-American students in honors courses
 - iii. Through All in Honors program, all students exposed to higher level classes
 - iv. Currently and on-going monitoring of data; this is first semester
 - g. Dr. Bingham =

- i. Teachers getting trained in equity to close achievement gap
 - ii. Friday 1-2:30 pm is COVID pool testing; consent required.
 - iii. Less than 100 students participated last Friday
 - iv. SGA students Zoe, Emily, Nina, Lillian, Nora provide feedback on survey of All in Honors program; will continue to track, recommend tweaks, and advocate for changes
- h. Principal Johnson
 - i. Students encouraged to use lunch hour to check in with teachers, counselors, and participate in lunchtime activities (lunch.mbhs.edu)
 - ii. Teachers target responding to email within 48 hours; if not received, check with grade level administrator or counsellor
 - iii. COVID
 - 1. 27 teachers out last Friday; today 12 teachers out
 - 2. Teens are asking for in-person school; to remain in person
 - 3. Teachers can permit student sat home to Zoom or meet separately, materials available on Canvas

Meeting adjourned: 8:35 pm