

Blair PTSA General Membership Meeting Minutes

January 17, 2023

Meeting Started 7:02 pm

- I. Welcome/Introductions/Housekeeping/PTSA Business (Ayo Atterberry, President)
 - a. Introductions and reminder of officers and chairs
 - b. Yearbook orders due by January 22nd
- II. Budget (Hong Peng, Treasurer)
 - a. Budget \$66,728.21; still need to raise \$59,606.01
 - b. Direct appeal was most successful last year
 - c. Heidi Anderson volunteered to organize a fundraising committee (Thank you, Heidi!)
- III. After Prom (Cecily Williams-Blijd, After Prom Chair)
 - a. May 6-7, 2023
 - b. Subcommittees
 - Security (20 volunteers)
 - Decorating (15 volunteers; SSL hours can be earned)
 - Entertainment (15 volunteers)
 - Prizes (4 volunteers + donations needed)
 - Food (20 volunteers)
 - Principal Johnson suggested asking community partners to also volunteer
- IV. MCPS Medical Director (Dr. Patricia Kapunan)
 - a. Fentanyl prevention presentation
 - b. Making its way into marijuana, Adderall, and vaping
 - c. Working with Montgomery Goes Purple to do education, increase awareness of naloxone (reversal due to opioids), and connecting schools and families with supports
 - d. Youth overdoses in Montgomery County - 120% increase in fatal overdoses from 2021 to 2022
 - e. National problem, not just Montgomery County
 - f. If you have opioids in the house, keep naloxone in your house
 - g. Suicide & Crisis Lifeline - Call 988 or text 988lifeline.org
- V. Post-Covid Updates and Behavior Issues (Ms. Soriano)
 - a. Social-Emotional Supports reminder
 - b. 180 students referred to the Student Well-Being Team
 - c. Small Counseling Groups
 - d. Blazer Ambassadors
 - e. Resources for substance abuse (SASCA/CAAS)
 - f. Programming upcoming on substance abuse, parenting workshops, eating disorders and mental health awareness
- VI. Principal's Update
 - a. Schedule models (Mr. Ostrander) - sampling different kinds of schedules, including all period Wednesdays.
 - b. Posse Award, Regeneron STS Scholars, It's Academic team recognitions and awards
 - c. Safe Sports School Award
 - d. Superintendent's budget updates

Announcements

Meeting adjourned: 8:25 pm