

MINUTES

UME Prep PAC Minutes

Tuesday, May 3, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Rachel Simmons at 6.30 pm.

In attendance

Brance Barker, Brandy Low, Jen Freeman, Laci Pool, Sarah Milem, Rachel Simmons, Kristyl Burkey, April Snook, Tim Foxsmith, and Kayla Smith.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were read from the April meeting and approved with the following corrections: Removed 'another' from Bullet #1 under the Fundraising header; remove names of applicants.

Welcome

Rachel began the meeting with a heartfelt thank you to all PAC members for our service to the school this year.

Pixie Stix Game with Rachel! Everyone grabbed a pixie stick and answered a question based on the color they chose: If Tim could be any book character, he would be Robert Langdon. If April could remove one daily task from her life, it would be cooking. Kristyl's favorite classes in school were/are theater and geology. If Rachel could remove a daily task it would be washing Katie's water bottles! If Sarah could remove a daily task, it would be taking away all of Parker's stress and anxiety filled moments. Laci thinks that no one in the PAC know that she won't eat food off the bone. Jen's favorite class in school was Latin. If Brandy could be a book character she would be Lucy Pensevie. Brance's favorite classes in school were math and creative writing.

Fundraising Updates

- Car Decals have been purchased and will be sold at the Award Night/Concerts. The final price has been agreed upon at \$3 each or 2 for \$5.
- Box Tops totaled \$310.80
- For future fundraisers, it is important to note that the general school logo will be for school use only and future fundraisers will need to be specific. Next year the school wants to sell stickers for \$2 each, so we will be unable to renew this fundraiser in the fall.

School Supply Updates

- The website is live and flyers are going home this week. The supplies will be delivered August 10th.
- The custom folders are out, decided against them.
- There is a \$3 mark up per grade level, we will be receiving the check for our profit in August.
- The PAC will be receiving free shirts as part of the deal. They have PacMan on them and are adorable. We should receive them at the PAC retreat.

Treasury/Accounting Updates

- The treasury has \$976.08 in the account. We owe \$109.35 for decals, and so have \$866.73 available. We started the year with \$0, so that is awesome!
- We would like to look at allocating funds to Kayla for school improvements/decor, and things like a cotton candy or popcorn machine. This can be discussed at the PAC retreat.
- Uniform Resale Collection will take place until the end of the school year. The Resale shop is scheduled to happen during Back to School/Meet The Teacher.

Town Hall Update

Townhall Meetings are over, the notes and minutes have been submitted to Rachel and Brance.

Student Life/Grade Rep Updates

- End of Year Parties:
 - May 25/26 will be the Kindergarten Picnics
 - May 26 will be 1st-4th grades ice cream buffet during PE
 - May 27 will be 5th-8th during PE. 5th will be a blacklight dodgeball party, 7-8th will be ice cream buffet with summer games.
 - High school will be May 27 from 6.30pm-11pm, and will be blacklight volleyball. There will be a fire pit, movie in the Cube, food for sale, and there are t-shirts for sale as a fundraiser for next year's senior trip. The shirts will be able to be decorated for the blacklight party. Possibly the whole school will have neon dress day on Friday.
- Senior Trip: The upcoming senior trip will be to Colorado. This was decided by Kayla Smith and Celeste Pulis, with a mind to Kayla's previous experiences in planning and executing senior trips. Next year we will gather more parent input and will be more proactive in setting up grade level teacher sponsors to allow for long term planning in the future. Parents are invited to attend. 18 students are confirmed for June 2017.
- Duncanville Campus Parent Leadership:
 - There was discussion on the long term ideas for how to handle multiple campuses. Will we have 1 PAC, 2 PAC's with one at each campus? There's only one board rep slot, how to handle that? This will need to be discussed at length and determined at the PAC retreat.
 - Will we combine things like concerts and awards ceremonies? Or simply invite the other campus to our events and vice versa?
 - Slowly need to integrate on campus things like Snack and Chats, volunteering and social opportunities
 - Kayla's experience is to not have a parent group for the first year to allow for a settling down and level of comfort to be established first. .
- Parent Survey Results will be in before the June Retreat.
- Field Day:
 - Friday, May 20th for Kinder - 6th grades
 - There will be six events, we will need a minimum of 2 parents per event per grade to volunteer.
 - It was brought up that the PAC could support field day by doing something like popsicles for the kids. It would be roughly 300 popsicles. Sarah motioned to approve up to \$75 for popsicles, Jen seconded. All approved.
 - Planning for next year, it was brought up that participant ribbons would be a welcome addition. Also, possibly turning it into a picnic style family event to increase our sense of community.

Faculty Team Update

- Teacher Appreciation Week is planned, with a Summer Theme. Please remember we can only take gift cards from parents, not cash. But they can buy gift cards on Amazon and have them sent directly to the school! Laci motioned to approve up to \$200 in additional funds for teacher appreciation supplies, Jen seconded. All approved.
- Volunteer Applications are now available online! We will have a stack available at Open House, as well as possibly tablets open to the form online.

Retreat Topics

- Multiple campuses - PAC system, PTA system?
- Teacher rep on PAC?

- Semester Calendar
- Monthly calendar print out
- Parent Survey results
- How to build traditions and community
- Family Picnic/Ice Cream Social at Open House?
- Nepotism/consanguinity laws

Board Rep Update

The parents need more access to board meetings and the information discussed. Sarah and Denise both recommended having a parent attend board meetings to take notes, and then have those notes sent out via FB or other method to ensure the parents have knowledge of what is being decided for our school.

PAC Staffing Update

- PAC Applications 2016-2017
 - There are three openings: Athletics, Academics, Family Mento
 - Kristyl motions to approve Cynthia for Academic Rep. Sarah seconded. All approved.
 - Sarah motions to extend invite to Russell for Family Mentor. Kristyl seconded. All approved.
- Board Rep Position
 - Denise would be willing to serve another year if the PAC is interested but is also ok with not being put forward.
 - People can nominate themselves or others, nominations are due by May 10th. The position requires training and a while to get your feet, and must be decided prior to the June retreat.
 - Next year we will start having parents vote per the bylaws.
 - Sarah nominates Denise. Brandy seconds.
 - April nominates herself, understanding she is able to withdraw if she chooses to do so.
- Officer Positions - Jen, Sarah, and Rachel are willing and committed to continuing in the roles they currently hold, unless other priorities come up and roles need to be shifted. Laci motioned to approve, Kristyl seconded, all approved.
- Vice Chair Position - Kristyl and Laci gave their 3 minute platform speeches at the beginning of the meeting. At the end of the meeting a ballot was held, and Laci is voted Vice Chair.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be the June Retreat at DBU.

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:51pm and was passed unanimously.