

Clayton High School PTO

August 21, 2017

ATTENDEES: Stefanie Litteken, Jean Heusel, Co-chairs; Dan Gutchewsky, Principal, Matt Boswell, Gina Nakis, Sarah Melinger, Susie Rubin, Dev Chatterjee, Kathleen Matheny, Dorrieh Helwani, Mohamad AlHelwani, Jayne Howard, Celeste Gillette, Susan Kronemer, Ann Marie Kerr, Diane Willingham, Charles Brennan, Caroline Early, Lori Anderson, Jeffrey Lewis

AGENDA: Welcome and Introductions by Stefanie and Jean. Stefanie said they PTO is still in need of Co-Chairs for the After Prom Activities for Sat, 04/21.

PARENT CONNECTION GROUPS: The freshman have a tentative date set in October for an activity. The sophomores have planned a Happy Hour in October and another event for the Spring of 2018. The seniors plan to do something on December 8th with details to come later.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: Dan Gutchewsky

Dan reported Progress Reports were available online today for the first time and so far there have not been many issues.

Dan wants to create student leadership opportunities through formal training potentially around a specific topic. He would like to incorporate the different clubs to engage in deliberate thoughtful communications around the topic.

Also, the focus this year will be on the vision for the District 10, 15, 20 years from now engaging open dialogue throughout the year with teachers, parents, students, to share ideas, new programs, and look at what other schools are doing as well. During the week of September 11th, parents will be receiving an invitation to participate in these discussions with two different possible dates available.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES REPORT: Matt Boswell

Matt reported that Stugo raised more than \$600.00 for Hurricane Harvey through different activities in the Commons last week.

The Junior Challenge which is a team building/leadership day will occur Thurs, 09/14, at Tower Grove Park.

Homecoming is October 7th with a full week of activities leading up to the game and dance. A bonfire will be on Friday night, October 6th, at Gay Field. There will be a tent set up for all parents sponsored by the PTO. The theme this year is Fairy Tales.

The Parade will be Sat, 10/07 beginning at 11:00am and the football game will begin at noon. The dance is at Stuber at 8:00pm Saturday night.

The annual Beautification Day around campus will be on Sat, 10/28 from 9:00-11:00am

BUDGET REPORT

The treasurer, Jane Howard, went through the budget line item explaining each in detail. The budget was approved unanimously with Gina Nakis making a motion to approve and Susan Kronemer made a 2nd.

STAFF APPRECIATION

The next staff appreciation event will be on October 18th for the first conference. Dinner will be available for all staff before conferences begin.

The next PTO Meeting will be held, Monday, October 2, 2017 at 6:30pm in the Library.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Matheny, Secretary