

Clayton High School PTO

March 5, 2018

Meeting was started at 6:30 p.m. with introductions.

ATTENDEES: Celeste Gillette, Sarah Melinger, Gina Nakis, Jason Wilson, Chris Walton, Monti Hill, Lawanda Hall, Diane Willingham, Dan Gutchewsky, Bob Bone, Elizaeth Macanufo, Jayne Howard, Jayne Howard, Christy Breckenridge, Deb Dobson, Susan Buse, David McClendon

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT/STUDENT ACTIVITIES REPORT: Dan Gutchewsky

- Junior/Senior Prom is April 21 at the Science Center.
- Gina Nakis inquired if chaperones are needed for the Prom. None are needed.
- Beautification Day will be March 10 at 9:00 am, meet at The Globe.
- Dan discussed the student response to the Parkland shooting.
 - Students were very well-spoken. Full video is on KSDK.
 - There is a new club at CHS focused on taking Political Action,
 - They have discussed the March 14 walk out at 10:00 am. Students will go out to the Newman Green. There will be 17 min. of education and then return to classes. During lunch, there will be a voter registration drive, letter writing campaign, video cameras will be setup for students to record a 30 sec video and then they will all be strung together.
 - Elizabeth Macanufo offered to send Dan the list of politicians in Missouri for the letter writing campaign.
 - This will give the kids an outlet and let their voices be heard.
 - Dan said the students have been very organized and is impressed with their effort.
 - There is a standard procedure for kids that miss class for a walkout, protest, etc. that will be enforced. If students miss class, they will get an unexcused absence.
- School Security changes – there was concern that the door from the Center of Clayton into the school is left unlocked because it is considered a fire exit. Therefore, the doors outside of the Family Center will be locked and the students can use that entrance into the high school by swiping their ID.
 - Intruder Drills with teachers have taken place. They are very intense and account for multiple situations.
 - Everybody needs to swipe in. If you don't know the person, don't let them in. They will need to go to the front doors and be buzzed in.

- The Bottom Line – All kids need to look after each other and report it when they see something. Getting kids to feel connected to the community and each other is important.
- “Quick Tip” anonymous reporting tool is available on all schools website. Any information will go to the Director of Student Services, the School Resource Officer, Superintendent and the building principal.
- The Conference Signup went out this morning. Some parents said they got the email later in the afternoon than others.
- The state given ACT will take place in April.

BUDGET REPORT

- Jayne Howard covered the Budget and will post the updates online.

GUEST SPEAKER: Bob Bone, Athletics Director

- 85% of all students participate in Athletics at some point during their high school career.
- He discussed the revised Participation Policy.
- No Cut does not mean No Rules.
- Overall student athlete average GPA is 3.4.
- MSHAA rules state that the student must pass 3 credits of the previous quarter and be enrolled in 3 credits currently to participate in athletics.
 - CHS enforces that the student maintain a 2.0 GPA from the previous quarter to participate. If the GPA falls below 2.0, then they must participate in Academic Support that can be done before school or immediately after school. There is no minimum GPA enforced by MSHAA, this is a CHS rule.
 - It was announced that students will get into basketball games free of charge with student ID.

GUEST SPEAKER: Elizabeth Macanufo, Clayton Education Foundation

- Has already funded several programs by giving grants for the Clayton Catalyst competition, brought in an Artist in Residence, among others.
- Their main project is currently Adzick Fields.
 - This is a renovation for Field #7 to accommodate Baseball, Field Hockey and Softball. It will have a stadium feel to it, new lights to be used at any time, and a turf field.
 - Projected cost is \$2,000,000.
 - School District of Clayton contribution is \$300,000
 - Centene has offered to give matching gift up to \$600,000
 - Community pledges and donations thus far is \$253,570.
 - Amount remaining to be raised (as of 2/1/18) is \$186, 430.
- Please consider making a donation.
- Ask others to donate or a matching gift.
- Tell others about the project.
- Negotiations with Fontbonne about field use are still taking place.

- Link to information about donating to the Adzick Field project is <http://www.chsalumniassociation.net/s/1537/17/interior.aspx?sid=1537&gid=1&pgid=626>.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

After Prom: Angela Pompian

After Prom will be April 21 at the Moolah Theatre from 11:00 pm to 1:00 am.

- There will be a Signup Genius for the various duties.
- Currently, we need donations for the Casino Table, raffle for attendance prizes, they can be \$10 gift cards, coffee maker, small fridge, other items good for a dorm room, etc.
- Juniors and Seniors can attend the After Prom without attending the Prom for \$10 a ticket.
- There will be a place for students to change clothes when they get there.

Staff Appreciation

The next event will be on Wed., March 21 with a dinner for teachers during parent teacher conferences. Asking for donations of different salads and help with setup and cleanup. A signup genius will be sent out shortly.

Also, need donations of snacks during parent teacher conferences for the parents to enjoy in the library during breaks in their conference schedule.

Parent Connections

Freshman Connections – Gina Nakis said they are working out the details for the meeting with the counselors.

Senior Connections – Gina Nakis said they are working on the details for a Senior Parent get together on May 8.

New Business

Speaker: Jason Wilson is a Board of Education candidate. He spoke about his platform and answered questions.

Jenaro Centeno and Amy Rubin will be speaking at the meeting on April 2.

