

**AG PTO Exec Board Meeting
Thursday, March 3, 2016**

Approved February's PTO Exec Board Meeting Minutes. Meeting began 8:40 a.m.

Those in attendance were Amy Godwin, Katharine Bolt, Amy Strawser, Lauren Ball, Katie Catron, Jennifer McCarthy, Catherine Hensley and Kathryn Ford.

President's Report

Yearbooks: Next year we will not do double ads for one price for the Yearbook. The advertising will not be in yearbook. Yearbook wants 8th recognition ads help fund the yearbook. Next year will need to be creative because this is a new problem to have more recognition ads than there is space for. Only advertisement ads will be in the Directory in the future possibly. Yearbooks preorders were down so we had to guess how many extras to order. Last year we ordered 900 and this year we ordered 830. The recognition ads were up this year but yearbook sales were down.

Clubs: There are 20 scholarship students. Outreach Committee used to help cover the scholarships if the Club budget needed more funds. We do not have enough members for some of our Spring Clubs. If we do not have 12 in a club, then the club will not operate. We discussed if we want to always use Outreach as a backup to cover extra Club expenses. The school counselor decides who is eligible for scholarships.

Treasurer's Report

Corporate Rebates: We have rebate for PE uniforms and Lauren has it in Bob's budget. The new screening company has given us \$2,666 as a rebate for using them which is sitting in Principal Discretionary. We discussed where to put the PE Uniform rebate money in the future. We agreed Principals Discretionary is best place for it now. Mr. Folk has \$8000 in rebate money to spend at this point. No committees have requested money from Lauren at this point. Campus Beautification may need some funds for mulch and will get back to Lauren. Bulldog Club committee spends money on concessions. Planters were \$705 for the fall which included fixing the drip line.

Invest in Excellence

Katie Catron spoke that a lot of the matching funds we received this month were from 2014 (\$3000), two separate checks. Out of \$26,000 on report, \$20,000 comes from one donation. There is \$14,000 in matching funds that is still outstanding.

Principal's Report

Student Assignment: The online survey is not active anymore. Mr. Folk spoke about the Board is scheduled to meet March 10 to meet with elected officials to look with consultants on the survey results. Every six years the Board review the Student Assignment plan. The community always has the right to request boundary changes. The Board uses major thoroughfares and natural road breaks to determine boundaries. This year the concerns over zoning and diversity in schools and how we can address low performing schools is being addressed this year while maintaining school performance. The Board is not going to redraw the lines. The discussion is more about how to attract people to different schools. Popular magnet programs in each school zone is a suggestion. Our middle school IB schools are Randolph and Piedmont and they are in the same zone. They attract students from all over the county so the Board is looking at how to

offer this in more school zones. Most changes with the new school assignment process will be with the lower performing schools in our district.

Campus Beautification: There is a family close to AG who is going to help plant some shrubs on our campus. Barclay Downs Home Owners Association will discuss helping AG campus beautification. We are waiting to get an estimate to help with the campus mud and drainage issues. The designs of where the gym downspouts are create a lot of drainage issues. There is a drain for the water runoff and connect to the retention pond. The estimate possibly will be around \$18,201 to fix. We are wondering if we can create a patio area to get rid of mud part alleviate issues.

One to One Chrome Book Initiative: Mr. Folk would like to purchase chrome books so we can practice a one to one initiative in 7th grade. We would like to give students a chrome book in the morning and the students will turn them in the afternoon when school is over. AG would like to experiment with the 7th grade. The Specials classes such as foreign languages do not have enough chrome books for every child at this point. The new chrome books for 7th graders will also help with all the electives. Mr. Folk would like to buy four carts of chrome books (120 total chrome books) which will cost \$24,710.40 (\$3,880 for software). The carts are \$642.43 for 4 carts and the install costs is \$300. The total cost for all is \$28,741.63 for Chrome Book needs.

Principal Discretionary Budget: \$1,161 paid for portable charges was moved to Principal Discretionary budget (should have been there to start), leaving Prin. Discretionary at \$6,997. Lauren Ball mentioned the AG PTO has in the bank \$97,843 net in budget. We have approximately \$12,000 in cash not yet deposited now to use towards the chrome books. We motioned to move \$6,997 from Principal Discretionary and \$2,112 from Invest to Technology to purchase chrome books.

Grimm Scholarships: Mr. Folk said the \$4000 we can distribute what we have and meet budget on that. The max given is \$500.

Nominating: Katie Catron spoke that we have 2 people considering VP role and still need an AG Club committee chair.

Upcoming Events

March 8- Middle School Matters- Parenting your Middle Schooler 7-8pm, Multi-Purpose Room

March 9- PTO Committee Chair Meeting- 8:45am Multi-Purpose Room

March 16- Prospective Parent Tour- 1-2pm office

End of 3rd Quarter- March 24

March 25-April 4 Spring Break

April 6- Prospective Parent Tour

April 7- PTO Exec Board Meeting 8:30am, Mr. Folk's Conference Room

April 7- Rising 7th and 8th Parent Registration Info, 7-8pm Multi-Purpose Room