

AG PTO Executive Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, September 1, 2016

Meeting began at 8:37

Those in attendance were Amy Godwin, Amy Strawser, Jennifer Bryson, Katherine Bolt, Sarah Plyler, Katie Catron, Lee Ham, Diana Jones and Mr. Folk

Welcome and Introductions

Approved June Exec PTO meeting minutes

General topics: Email reminders before meetings, Calendar on website, Check bulldog bulletin for event updates.

**Principal's report:**

*Back to school*- lots of late student enrollments. Numbers are higher at 1420. Projection was 1430. Need the extra numbers because Mr. Folk received additional allotments this year.

*Transportation*-is a big issue. Buses picking up late in the afternoon. Most likely a bus driver issue and transportation is working on it.

*Carpool*- the back carpool line has some issues to be worked on. These include parents ignoring roped/chained off areas and student safety.

*6<sup>th</sup> grade* -is largest grade at almost 500 students. Some classes larger, almost at 35 students. All 6<sup>th</sup> graders are going to 1:1 technology. They will carry Chrome books around all day and deposit the Chrome book back at 3:15pm to their 1<sup>st</sup> block classes. 6<sup>th</sup> graders will carry their Chrome books in their backpacks, therefore, no lockers for now. If the decision is made to switch to lockers, (which will likely happen) students will still carry backpacks and have one locker transition during the school day.

No changes anticipated for AG with this year's student reassignment plan.

*Foreign Language*- French teacher transferred. Position was posted this summer and no qualified applicant was found. The decision was made to offer the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who had requested French a virtual foreign language course. The students will correspond with a teacher and get high school credit. French, German or Latin will be offered. An assistant will be present in the class. 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders originally requesting French were re-scheduled.

*Fit/Fat-* Approval of Two bags of balls per grade. (basketballs, soccer balls, kickballs, etc.) Replacement of basketball nets as well.

### **Treasurer Report:**

YTD actual income (from rollover last year) was \$78,382.27. We have had \$12,372.66 in expenses the last few months, leaving \$66,009.61 in the bank right now. Money continues to come in this week from student fees, Bulldog club, etc. Concern was expressed over excess money from the 8<sup>th</sup> grade DC trip, but that money has been used to fund the carnival at the end of the year.

### **Assistant Treasurer Report:**

*Back to school processing-* Considering making some changes to back to school form next year. Received over 600 forms so far. Collecting forms/checks from teachers and classes has been challenging-interrupting teachers, time consuming, etc. Suggested placing a collection box in teacher's lounge for collection of forms to keep classroom disruptions at a minimum. Incentive party may not be fair for all classes and is difficult to track. Suggestion to have back to school forms online.

### **President's Report:**

*Back to school-* mix up with transportation forms sent to students, but straightened out.

*Camp Bulldog-* Front office was not accessible during Open house

*Bulldog Bulletin-* emphasis on keeping information fresh and new

*PTO audit-* Lee checking into tax exempt form

*Invent in Excellence-* Checking into Paypal link. Working on an invest video.

Meeting adjourned