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Minutes for Art & Design High School PTA General Meeting • March 1, 2018

Call to Order

A General meeting of High School of Art and Design PTA was held on 3/1/18 in the Library. It began at 6:35PM and was presided over by Miguel Chavez as President.

Attendees

Executive members in attendance included Miguel Chavez, Evie Hantzopoulos, Jean Stemm, Frieda Christofides, Janet Baus

Executive Members not in attendance: Sonia Portorreal

Additional attendees: Principal Ureña, PC Janeen Johnson

Approval of Minutes

02/01/18 PTA General Meeting minutes were provided.

- Motion to approve the minutes
- Vote: motion carried
- Resolved: minutes from 02/01/18 meeting were approved

Treasurer Report

Report on Fanfaire. Almost \$13,000 gross and estimated about \$7,000 net.

Fairway Partners brought in \$110 from \$4000 worth of purchases.

Amazon Smile brought in \$10.

Currently \$28,000 in the account.

We funded the purchase of supplies for the Valentine's Day Carnation Sale.

Everyone is encouraged to communicate with teachers and students about what their needs are. The goal is to eliminate the lag between need and fulfillment.

Principal Report

Parent Teacher Conferences are next week.

March 15th ends the marking period.

SATs and PSATs are all done in-house for the 10th and 11th grades on March 21st. There is tutoring available.

The students are asking about a walk-out on March 14th for 17 minutes to honor the students killed in Florida. The DOE is putting together guidance for this, because of the legal ramifications. The school had a moment of silence but the kids want to do more. Students and teachers had ideas about how to support the Florida students.

Remind your children to check the weather, and dress appropriately.

Fanfaire was impressive. \$28,000 in the account is impressive.

Fundraising

Thanks to all the parents who are fundraising. Here are the current fundraising initiatives:

Hamilton Lottery will go online so it can be shared. The drawing is at the May PTA meeting.

Online Auction will run for 3 weeks in April. Auction items are needed, anyone with a business or service. We need people to solicit auction items, there is a form and we are 501c3. We want at least 50 items. Donations can be anywhere as this is an online auction and can be bid on from anywhere.

President's Report

We need a nominating committee, 2 or 3 people who would not be running. It's not a big commitment.

The Audit needs to be taken care of, if someone could step up for that.

PTA funded \$2000 for Senior jackets.

The college trip needs a bus, to Franklin and Marshall, PA. 50 students across all grades can go.

The Fashion Show is coming up. They do a magazine/pamphlet that we could fund to make it better.

The Teacher Appreciation Luncheon will be before the Parent/Teacher conferences on Thursday.

Fanfaire: Thanks to Saori Adams. It was her idea; she had all the contacts; she was essential to making it happen. Students staffed tables and volunteered. Shout out to freshman student Xander who worked all three days. All the students were great. They moderated panels wonderfully. Event was listed in New York Times for Things To Do. Students brought portfolios. Panels were well-attended. Parents bought grids that now the school can use. There's an idea to combine Fanfaire with Career Week.

Presentation

1. Parent Coordinator Janine Johnson invited Ebony Tyler from Human Resources Engagement to give a presentation on student job and internship opportunities; see the handout.

Ms Tyler described the services. They provide Transition Services for students with IEPs. The programs are TOP (Training Opportunity Programs) , and SYEP (Summer Youth Employment Program). All for IEP students. They try to align the work with student interests. The most vulnerable students will be chosen. There will be a center in every borough by 2020.

A parent asked if she could procure a worksite her child would be interested in. Yes, she should contact Ebony Tyler at the Bronx site.

2. Janeen Johnson distributed handouts re. opportunities for all students. See handouts. Internships and Scholarships is a 15 page handout, so she will email

it. Ms Johnson explained the process for getting working papers, which will be needed for any work or internship.

Applications for SYEP is active. She encourages students to apply and get their working papers.

Adjournment

Meeting adjournment moved by Miguel Chavez. Meeting adjourned at 7:34pm

Janet Baus		
Secretary [HS Art & Design PTA]		Date of Approval