

March PTA Executive Board Meeting Agenda – March 6, 2019

Heather Rothman, Christine Galano, Deb Dasgupta, Susan Chun, Amanda Provost, Ashley Boyle, Jen Thomas, Jeremy Evans on the Phone, Beth Prince

1. DCPS Budget (Jen Thomas) - it's solid. Adding a couple of positions here and there. Making some previous PT now FT. more to be shared at the PTA mtg. DC is now going to purchase student devices so for 3rd grade next year, 1:1 rollout. Then phase that in across the grades. Not purchasing administrator or teacher computers. No scanners, 3D printers, etc. Nothing to do with SmartBoards and no supplies to support technology (batteries, bulbs, power cords).

We've talked about the need for teacher devices.

Asks - teacher computers, maybe money for SmartBoards (reserve), blended learning (maybe shrink down the licenses after a look across grades).

DCPS put out some new scheduling guidance - instructional minutes (Per DCPS, morning meeting must start at 8:45 and end at 9:00 and instruction runs until 3:15pm, with dismissal coming afterward-3:15pm) and by subject area. Likely means we will start arrival earlier - at 8:30 we open the doors to the building, line up outside your classrooms, one idea - can PTA and Innis work together so there are folks from 8:15-8:30am.

2. PTA Budget Update/Planning (Susan Chun) - next week present draft budget. First Wednesday in April is the special budget meeting.

Teachers for winter enrichment still not paid. PTA E-Board believes we should pay them and Kaizen needs to give PTA money b/c they collected the funds.

Also need to figure out a better situation for the coordinator position.

Add money and budget lines for school events holiday party, like arts night and drama night and math night (food, expenses, etc.).

Technology - Laptops for teachers. 19 classroom teachers. We can start there.

Perhaps increase PD 7K to 10K (make sure every teacher is responsive classroom trained).

Bring SmartBoard line down to 5K

PTA this year to buy surge protectors for all SmartBoards

Discussion on student computers for lower grades.

Principal Thomas to get SmartBoard numbers and student laptops for the lower grades.

We'll look at numbers for teacher laptops and accessories.

One large technology budget number at \$25K

3. Auction Update - (Deb Dasgupta) - Things coming together well.

Items are a bit reduced.

Need to boost ticket sales.

We have the whole room again - same as last year.

4. Events Update

\$300 raised at Silver.

PNO - 56 kids. Needed 4 bags of popcorn and only needed 14 pizzas.

- Nats game - April 27
- DC United game - April 6
- A week with Galley - the first week in April - 20 percent back to Hearst
- Food truck Friday - May - check with Mary O'Neill
- Orange Theory
- Fun Run -

- Dining Nights at Olive, Nandos (June 4), anywhere else?
5. Succession Planning - Heather to do a special post on Bloomz - "if you're interested in running, please reach out to the Board"
Descriptions are online.
 6. March PTA Meeting Agenda
 - Budget
 - Soccer Goals Vote
 - Events
 - Pi Day!!!