Peachtree Charter Middle School

Parent Teacher Charter Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 15, 2016

**Meeting called to order** **4:35pm**

**Parents in Attendance:** Julia LeDoyen, Bill Florence, Mary Margaret Warshaw, MytheriJoshi, Emily Ceo

**Teachers in Attendance:** Scott Heptinstall (principal), Christy Wilkerson, Laurie Smith, Meredith Fendler, Damarcus Henley, Jasmine Parker

**Guests in Attendance:** none

**Quorum Met.**

Motion to approve February minutes. **Approved.**

**Principal’s Report:**

**-SACS (AdvancedEd)-** deciding if Dekalb is accredited- fully accredited as of January. Will begin again next month- surveys, etc. They were here this month for STEM Academy.

-**Teacher of the Year-** Smith, Gartner, Bustamante, McInture-Rature were nominated.

$250 from last year’ TOTY banquet that wasn’t needed.

-2 math **teachers interviewing** this week- teaching a lesson for Mr. Heptinstall and Dept. Chair.

-**Job Fair** was a success.

- 97.5 points available for **hiring points**- more than last year. Hoping to hire 7 new teachers to the building. Retirements will be announced later.

-**Charter** – no update but hoping that April board meeting

Feb 25-26th- Rice Krispies with marijuana- 4 students involved. Students notified administration.

*Curriculum and Instruction (Emily Ceo & Jasmine Parker):*

Met with Mr. Heptinstall about registration to discuss changes and logistics.

Will be easier in two years, then next year.

Not returning- Alegra Johnson, Rosalyn (might be a yes, but not sure)

Will discuss Cultural Arts budget for next year- probably growing because student population is larger for next year.

*Facilities & Equipment (Bill Florence & Meredith Fendler)*

Soccer Goals- used in PE and in bad shape. Should put in a grant request.

*Family & Community Relations (Mytheri Joshi & Damarcus Henley)*

-only confirmed volunteer for next year is Jeanie Sacks.

-Still need Directory Chair (even if it’s online).

*Finance (Kim Chatman & Scott Heptinstall)*

No updates.

Not Returning- book fair needs two volunteers, school spirit wear role, scheduling for school store role

*School Activities (Susie Lanham & Laurie Smith)*

7/8th grade chorous performed at Dunwoody HS

Odyssey of the Mind- teams just placed at Region

300 solar panels donated by parent

Butterfly Habitat being finished now

Living Classroom co-chair

7th grade social studies finished their collaborative water unit. Was awesome!

Soccer teams doing well – can get help with keeping fields maintained?

*School Climate (Mary Margaret Warshaw & Christy Wilkerson)*

Staff appreciation started yesterday. Need canopy tents- Elizabeth Julian- for lunch outside.

Not returning- Elizabeth Julian, Jeanie Foyan (willing to be chair, but needs more money and another person), Jeanie Hooper has found replacement.

*Deputy Chairperson’s Report (Laurie Smith)*

-none

**PTCC Chair Updates (Julia LeDoyen):**

-Nominating Committee for PTCC replacements is looking good.

-Membership Toolkit update- have new webmaster-Peggy F. New web platform accessible on tablets. Will have one source for website now. Promoting registration of Membership Toolkit in April.

-Potential date- Thursday, March 24th @ 5pm called meeting- parent bios posted April 1st. Vote in Main office April 22nd.

**Teacher Grant Requests-**

**-Byron Thompson-** color printers for all science teachers instead of 3D printers. - $2,570 Motion to deny. Denied.

**-Ms. Murphy**- 5 laptops for her classroom- $981- Motion to approve. Approved.

Follow up motion to suggest to Foundation to create a special technology budget.

-**Coach Burdette**- $1,500 to continue Intermurals before and after school for 100 students- pays them through the rest of the semester. Motion to approve. Approved.

Next Meeting, April 19th

Motion to Adjourn 5:39pm. **Adjourned.**