

PTO Meeting

October 2, 2019

Call to order 4:20

Executive Committee

Kajja Saramousakis, President: Open Position, Vice President of Administration; Lori Hayes, Vice President of Membership; Shamekia Martin, Correspondence Secretary; Ann Hammond, Recording Secretary

Guests in Attendance

Riccardo Stoeckicht, Campus Operations Officer; Melissa Tracy, Green Team Leader, HS Teacher; Kim Wolanski, Food Services Manager;

- I. Welcome
- II. Green Team Report
 - a. Purchased trail chairs, picnic tables and metal benches for courtyard. Outdoor classrooms
 - b. Harvest Festival November 13, 2019; 6 course meal inspired by Greek foods and the produce from our garden. All proceeds go towards the Green Team
 - c. We are now a Green Flag School; We will receive flag during Green week
 - d. Want to start a summer program with a paid internship; 100% of the summer growth is donated
 - e. Building a garden stand to sell produce; Proceeds go towards chicken feed and goat fund
 - f. School yard Pathways; Want to build a sensory garden
 - g. Grades K-5 green team planted Milkweeds
 - h. We are the only school to offer a food studies program
 - i. Chicken coop signs are up and inn both English and Greek
 - j. Longview Gardens asked for ornaments from OCS; Using upcycled materials
 - k. Planning a Youth Environmental Summit
 - l. Green Team has a Facebook page
- III. Board Elections
 - a. Shamekia Martin, Vice President of Administration; Lakia Belcher, Correspondence Secretary; Mike Roussos, Treasurer
- IV. Administration Report
 - a. We received a \$67,000 grant from the FFVP, to serve fruits and vegetables to all K-5 students. Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for snack. FFVP is the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program

- b. We received a \$52,000 Grant for the Safety and Security initiative; This will be used to improve the vestibules and lobbies in our school; \$ 30,000 To be used to improve LS lobby in building 20; Enhance external camera system; Upgrade badge system; School pass- matches cars to children
- c. Completed the charter renewal; Application accepted by the DOE; Posted on the DOE website
- d. Working on the Transportation issues; Thank you for your patience; Met with First Student management
- e. Open Door Policy

V. Current Issues

- a. Pretzel Tuesday Issues; We apologize for any missed children; working on the problem; ordering extra pretzels to cover missed children; Reach out to the PTO mailbox if there is still an issue or concern

VI. Recap of Previous Events

- a. Kindness Week was a success; K-5 made bookmarks to leave in books in the library; Kindness trees made with sticky notes
- b. Kidstuff Book Fundraiser extended for a few days; already raised over \$3000

VII. Upcoming Events

- a. Dress Down Day October 4 for a bag of candy; Candy will be used for Trunk or Treat
- b. Trunk or Treat will be held on October 25 from 6:30-8:30 pm
- c. Book Fair will be held October 14-18; Grandparents Night will be October 15- Goodies with Grandparents; Family Night is October 17 with a Clifford signing from 4-6 pm

VIII. Membership

- a. Please join the PTO; join online or with papers that were sent home

IX. Adjournment