

MINUTES

Taylor Road Middle School

01-16-2019 6:05 PM | *Meeting called to order by* Nikki Webber

Secretary Rebecca Rice

In Attendance

Debbie Kurzner	Nikki Webber	Jane Brenters	Rebecca Rice	Garrett Abelkop
Melinda Urbanawiz	Marcy Morantz	Chuntiel James	Natasha Powell	Alysea Johnson
Jennifer Reed-Askey	Brianna Graham			

Principals Update

Garrett Abelkop reported. He discussed the meaning of #TheTRWayForward. They are working with a company for school rebranding, new logo, new physical areas in the school, and shared the timeline for changes. There will also be new academic standards and changes regarding what student grades will be based on. He requested we complete the Parent Climate Survey, which affects the CCRPI rating. On 1/23/19 they will be offering an Anxiety and Stress Seminar—moving toward a more holistic approach to student mental health.

Teacher Representative Report

Mr. Abelkop reported that TRMS has a new business partner with McDonald's on State Bridge, which has a new owner. They have offered the staff an area in the back of the restaurant for meeting space.

Secretary Report

Minutes approved from 11/14/18 meeting. 1. Marcy Morantz 2. Jane Brenters

Treasurer Report

Melinda Urbanawiz reported as follows:

11/1/18 Beginning Balance: \$30,138.86	11/30/18 Ending Balance: \$28,368.15
12/1/18 Beginning Balance: \$28,368.15	12/31/18 Ending Balance: \$25,044.48

New Business

- Positions: Brianna Graham has stepped up to be the PTA President for the 2019-2020 school year.
- Staff Restroom: staff is looking for suggestions on beautifying staff restrooms. This will be a project for 2019-2020 school year.
- 8th Grade Dance Entry Suggestions: Dance has been moved to spring and there is still a need for food donations, so dance entry fee will be 5 canned goods.
- PTA School of Excellence Update: launching Next year.
- Upcoming Events: Book Fair, Scoliosis Screening (need volunteers to attend training 1/30/19 in Dunwoody), Staff Appreciation Week, 6th Grade Field Trip
- Flyer Distribution to Students discussion: Mr. Abelkop will discuss paperless options with Mr. Parker.

- Box Tops push brought in \$596 in December
- Launching Homeroom Challenge for PTA Memberships
- Discussion regarding transition from PTA to PTO. New President Brianna Graham will be heading charge.

VP Memberships – Open

Membership/Directory – Jennifer Reed

Spiritwear – Cathy Davis/Open

VP Administrative Support – Debbie Kurzner

Staff Appreciation – Jane Brenters/Rebecca Rice

Hospitality – Jennifer Oh/Open

Volunteer Coordinator – Rebecca Rice (position will likely dissolve)

Communications – Marcy Morantz

Social Media/Website – Jen Simmons

VP Academic Enrichment – Leslie Glass

Reflections – Melinda Urbanawiz

Mini Grants – Lauren Purdum/Sarah McVay

Field Trips – Open

Teacher of the Year – Julie Penrose

VP School (Community) Support – Julie Penrose

Campus Beautification – Martha Mellon

Awareness, Prevention and Safety – Open

Health Screenings/Scoliosis – Kelly Tarkington

Red Ribbon – Debbie Kurzner/Kelly Tarkington

Media Center/Book Fair – Paula Perrin/Lina Lopez

VP Student Enrichment – Alysea Johnson

6th Grade Activities – Natasha Powell/Sheena David

7th Grade Activities – Leslie Glass/Celeste Davidson

8th Grade Activities – Debbie Kurzner/Open

8th Grade Last Blast – Debbie Kurzner/Open

Honor Roll Recognition – Lamia Mereby

International Night Liaison with CHS – Juliana Pen-Cal

VP Ways & Means – Chuntiel James

Boxtops – Delaree Slater/Jessica Stokes - \$600 on first push, only \$25 from lollipops.

Spirit Nights – Open

• **Next Meeting**

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 PM by Nikki Webber. Next meeting 02/13/19 at 9:00 AM.