

Park Hill District Council PTA Meeting  
September 18, 2014  
General Meeting – Minutes

District Council President Michael Atchison called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. List of members attending is attached, and a quorum was met. Introductions of members were made.

District Council Treasurer, Aimee Claassen, reviewed the financials. She thanked the units that had submitted their dues and asked the remaining schools to be sure to get theirs paid.

Dr. Springston, Park Hill Superintendent, reported that district attendance is up about 210 students. He discussed an online survey that is available on the district website which is a long range facilities survey to focus on maximizing facilities, additional facility needs, and community needs. The CSIP committee is focused on financial needs and very focused on stretching dollars and being wise stewards of those dollars.

Nicole Kirby, Director of Communication Services, informed us about the new website for the district and schools. The websites are improved, easier to edit for staff, user friendly, and easier to navigate. A district app is coming soon.

Susan Van Hooser, Executive Director of the Education Foundation, reported the Community Breakfast is October 28 at the KCI Hilton at 7:30 a.m. Dr. Springston will deliver a State of the District address. Invest NOW Grants are getting donations and more requests.

President Atchison presented proposed changes to the By-Laws (attached) to be voted on at the next meeting in October.

The Clothing Center is being greatly utilized. Volunteer turn out is very good. The Back to School event on August 5 served 272 students with Restore Church giving out backpacks. While at the center, the school district experienced a "Lock Down", and Michael will meet with Josh Colvin to discuss security at the center. Sorting is on Thursday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m..

The planning for After Prom is in the beginning stages.

President elect of MO PTA, Dorothy Gardner, reported that convention is coming up in October. There will be experts speaking on topics from childhood obesity, mental health, diversity, and legislation. Watch for the program, Start the Arts. Reflections theme is "The world would be a better place if...". A new program, Share Awesome, is a tech type reflections program. By-Laws changes will be talking place at Convention. They will also have a memorial at convention for Tina Zubeck.

Susan Newburger, School Board representative, mentioned their MSB conference is next week, and they will take a position on Amendment 3. They are focusing on the Baldrige Model of continuous improvement. She also asked for PTA's to let the board know if they have an event that you would like school board presence.

Announcements: President Atchison mentioned October 12 is the Bill Cross 5K at Zona Rosa to benefit Northland Childhood hunger.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:14 a.m.

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