

Cuthbertson High School
PTSO Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
April 8, 2019

Attendees: LaDonna Baldwin, Lorraine Berkowitz, Georgiana DeCouto, Windy Fraser, Trish Giglio, Amy Githmark, Rebecca Godby, Shannon Mallozzi, Allison Matthews, Kelly Sanfilippo, Diana Skarbek, Jeff Stout, Julie Swafford

Guests: Mike Abernathy and Jennifer Woods

Call to Order: 6:35 PM

Minutes from the March meeting were not approved as they were unavailable.

Reminder: Next meeting will be May 13—potluck and “Turning over the books.”

Special Guests: Mike Abernathy and Jennifer Woods with Homes for Heroes

- Homes for Heroes was established as a way for local realtors to say “Thank You.”
- Nine times per year this organization awards a “Hero of the Month” award to a local police officer, firefighter, teacher, healthcare worker, etc. which consists of a plaque and recognition on social media.
- Mr. Abernathy distributed nomination forms. Shannon suggested the form be used to recognize the Transition to Adulthood class and T.T.A. teacher to show support for that program and build awareness.

Principal’s Update:

- Calendar Reminder: CHS Volunteer breakfast is May 30.
- The date for the Rising Freshmen Night is still to be determined. It may be the week of May 13 or in mid-August before the Freshman Open House night.

Treasurer’s Report:

- Windy passed out the updated budget numbers.
- Taxes have been paid, and there will be funds for the 2019-20 school year.

Committee Chair Reports

Hospitality

- The A Honor Roll breakfast had an attendance of 132, which is typical.
- Plans are being finalized for Teacher Appreciation Week.
- Shannon recognized the great job the Hospitality Committee has done this year with expenditures and financial conscientiousness.

Invest

- The current total is _____.
- Trish and Allison met with the former CMS PTO President, who shared ideas on how to grow membership and attain more funds.

- Trish would like to adopt the CMS PTO's slogan "Go for the Gold"

Membership

- Current membership is 671, including staff.
- Having one Rising Freshmen Night should boost numbers for the coming year.
- Inventory will be checked to determine what thank-you gift could be provided to members.
- Amy suggested an exclusive gift of a spirit item that cannot be purchased; only available to PTSO members and/or investors.

Community Partnership

- LaDonna is thinking parents may be waiting until the last minute to partake in the auction.
- Response has been low at New Town Elementary and Waxhaw Elementary; higher at Kensington.

Scholarship

- Applications are due April 10 at 3:00 PM.

Spirit Wear

- Lorraine will be at the Lawson vendor fair.
- She will work with Membership and Invest to come up with a giveaway item.
- A new women's t-shirt design is in the works.
- Lorraine is working on an incentive program to encourage Spirit Wear orders over the summer.

Senior Events

- The Senior Breakfast on 03/15 had 145 attendees.
- Upcoming Events:
 - 04/10 Cap and Gown day. Details were discussed regarding individual photos being taken in the auxiliary gym, the group photo on the field, and distribution of cupcakes and water bottles after the photos.
 - 04/12 The final Senior Breakfast will have Chick-fil-A.
 - 04/16 Rising Senior Connection Night at 6 PM.
 - 05/24 Senior Lunch with Salsaritas.
 - 05/24 Spring Fling: entry fee for Seniors will be paid for, there will be a funnel cake vendor and Kona Ice Truck, and selfie photo opportunities.
 - The graduation rehearsal date, time, and location to be determined.
- Community partners have been submitting checks toward the graduation medallions, and Principal Stout has committed to donating the remaining \$1500. Donors will attend the Cap and Gown event to take pictures.

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- The Senior Events Committee has been working with the class of 2020 Senior Events team over the last month to share information and in preparation for the Rising Senior Connection night.

New Business:

- 2019—2020 Executive Board Slate

Adjourn: 8:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Swafford
Membership
in absence of Valerie Parrella, CHS PTSO Secretary