

PTSO Meeting

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 9, 2016

7:00 PM

FRANKLIN H.S.
LIBRARY

MEETING CALLED BY	Linda Darby @7:01 PM
FRANKLIN H.S. ADMINISTRATORS / TEACHERS / BOARD OF EDUCATION IN ATTENDANCE	Dr. Thomas DiGanci (FHS Interim Principal) Mrs. Karen Trautmann (PTSO Teacher Liaison) Mrs. Nancy LaCorte (Board of Education, Vice President / Liaison to FHS)
EXECUTIVE BOARD OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE	Linda Darby (Co-President) Kai Leung (Membership Coordinator) Connie Williams (Treasurer) Vanessa Flewellen (Secretary)

Agenda topics

7:01 – 7:16

JANUARY MEETING MINUTES

VANESSA FLEWELLEN

DISCUSSION	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Reviewed minutes from the January Meeting- Motion to accept minutes: Kai Leung- Seconded by: Vicki Anderson

TREASURER'S REPORT

CONNIE WILLIAMS

DISCUSSION	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- \$1,436.92 PTSO balance- \$2,171.56 teacher support- \$3,608.48 ending balance

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

KAI LEUNG

DISCUSSION	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- 96 members (62 parents / 34 faculty)- Kai suggested that since we did not meet our goal for the Chrome Book that we raffle off to a student

PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL REPORT

LINDA DARBY

DISCUSSION	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- The council is in the process of reviewing the calendar for the 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 school years- Dr. Ravally suggested each PTSO present the Teacher of the Year / Support Staff with \$150 (gift card / check)

7:16 – 7:43

BOE VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT

NANCY LACORTE

DISCUSSION	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - District Goals: establishing Dr. Ravally as educational leader in the township, creating “Focus on Franklin Videos”, visiting classrooms, meeting with groups that work directly with the schools, recognizing staff and meeting with officials (most recently with Chief of Police) - Recruiting & Retention of Staff: FMS and Hillcrest Principal positions should be filled by March, HS Principal position to be filled by June - Increasing student performance: construction company for the school building project has been hired, Laurie Merris (new board member), board of education finance committee meeting will be open to the public; boards goals are aligned with Dr. Ravally’s goals and meetings have been decreased to once per month 	

7:43 – 8:05

PRINCIPALS’S REPORT

DR. DI GANCI

DISCUSSION	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Graduation Requirements: the median score for our seniors was 83 – English and 90 – Math - Dr. Ravally provided funds to allow teachers to meet afterschool with seniors who did not meet requirements - Next steps will be the Accu-placer and CRT – critical response test - PARCC: FHS median score was 90.1% and the requirement is 95%; school will begin a campaign “Strive for 95” to help increase - Upcoming Events: Hoops for Troops, Orchestra, Guitar and Keyboard Concerts, Play (Mary Poppins) and the Cabaret - The Track Team won their conference and the Wrestling Team may approach 500 - Basketball Teams and Swim Team all doing well - PTSO funded celebration to the 18-20 teachers nominated for “Teacher of the Year”; each nominee received a certificate - Dr. DiGanci presented to the Board regarding graduation ceremony held this year at the high school - A concern was raised regarding the muddy conditions in the parking lot after is rains and the effect it may have if not corrected prior to graduation ceremony 	

8:05 – 8:27

OPEN DISCUSSION

DISCUSSION	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FHS Teacher Who Makes Magic is Alecia Sands - PTSO voted to give (2) teacher / support staff gift cards at \$150 each and (2) mini grants of \$50 each; Motion by Kai Leung, seconded by Karen Trautmann 	

OBSERVERS	See attendance list
SPECIAL NOTES	Meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm