

SIC/PTO/ABC Meeting

November 28, 2017

Present: Hilary Torres, Amy Edwards, Michelle Sackman, Nick Glick, Amber Adkins, Andi Riley, Renata Booth, Alicia Rouse, Jenny Angus, Deanna Mansker

PTO

The meeting was opened by Michelle Sackman & turned over to PTO President Hilary Torres.

Candy Cane Lane is next week, December 4 – 8. It will be set up at the end of the hall by the trophy cases. Teachers will get to sign up for a time for their classes to attend. A flyer is going to go home tomorrow.

Santa will be here on December 8 for pictures. Last year we showed Christmas movies and served popcorn and hot chocolate. We had about 30 people show up last year. A brief discussion followed that resulted in the conclusion that we should have the movies and popcorn this year as well, but the group wondered if there would be a way to move it to a location closer to CCL and Santa.

A complete take-down of CCL will be done on Monday, December 11.

Chili Cook-Off is scheduled for Friday, February 2. Help is needed in getting donations for the silent auction. Every grade level donates a basket. We will be reminding teachers about this next week so that basket prep can be done. Amy Edwards brought up the idea of having a handy parent or friend of MOES build a couple of sets of corn-hole games that sets of students could design/paint. We could find volunteers to provide funding for the materials. Nick Glick and Amber Adkins are going to ask friends about making them (for free). If we can make this happen, we will ask Brandy Gentry to make the beanbags!

SIC

The meeting was turned over to SIC. Kay Keeler is sick and our Vice-Chair was not in attendance, so Michelle Sackman ran this portion of the meeting.

By Law changes were reviewed, but due to our low attendance today, we are going to defer the vote until the January meeting.

By-Law changes that were reviewed:

- Article IV- In the 1st paragraph, change the word beginning to end and in the 2nd paragraph, change PTO to SIC.
- Article VI- change the word first to last.
- Article VIII- The 1st paragraph will be changed to read as follows: “The School Improvement/Management Council will meet monthly (excluding December). Meeting dates will be published on the school website, in the Principal’s Newsletter, and through social media.” In the 2nd paragraph, change September to August.

Renata Booth made a motion to defer the vote to the next meeting. Michelle Sackman seconded the motion. All in attendance were in favor of the motion.

Principal’s Report (by Michelle Sackman):

Title 1 Focus Grant - Our application was approved, but no funds have been released yet. We will be getting \$65,000. This money will pay for our after school program and includes transportation. The after school program will run from 2:45 to 5:00, 3 days a week.

Other planned use of Focus Grant funds are:

- STEM training
- Ron Clark Academy training
- purchasing STEM and Lego kits for every grade level

Saturday school – Our STEM day was fun and engaging and a huge success. We had 72% attendance and got great feed-back from students and staff! December 16 is our next Saturday school. It will be another STEM day. It will also be our PBIS rewards day.

The MOES Chorus performed on Sunday with Marlena Smalls at Sea Island Presbyterian. It was phenominal!

Michelle asked that we complete a survey for her. She will use a consensus of our answers to submit on the official survey.

ABC Grant/Arts Committee Report (by Amy Edwards):

Nick Glick, Crystal Maroney, Becky Schlack, and Tommy Buskirk all attended the fall ABC Site Meeting on November 14 and will be reporting to the staff about the new and interesting arts integration ideas that they saw there. Attendance at the site meeting is a requirement for ABC Grant recipients.

Unfortunately, we did not have any students selected for the State Honors Chorus. Some of our students were just below the required cut-score. These students are now preparing for the District Honors Choir.

The MOES Chorus and Dance Ensemble both performed in the Gullah Christmas performance on November 26 at the invitation of Marlana Smalls. Thanks to Hilary Torres who helped pull it all together as well as to Mr. Glick and Mr. Crabb for their work in preparing the students. It was great! Ms. Smalls announced that MOES students will be contributing art work.

The Oratory Contest will take place the last week of March. As we get closer to time, we will be putting out a call for help in having students practice, and help developing simple props. We plan on asking former MOES educators to help in the judging.

Mulan, Jr. is in rehearsals. We have had one set of parents (the Millards) offer to be in charge of constructing the set, but will putting out a call for help with costumes and props. We will try to form a parent group (along with Port Royal Baptist) to fill our needs in this area. (March 14-15 performances)

The keyboard lab has been set up and is in use!

Mr. Crabb is currently receiving quotes for mirrors for the dance room.

Our chorus is scheduled to perform at Night on the Town THIS Friday, December 1 at 6:20 (we think on the main stage). Please come support our students!

Comments and Questions – none.

Hilary Torres made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Andi Riley and unanimously approved by all present.

There is no December meeting. Our next joint meeting will be January 23 at 6:00.