

Robert Frost PTSA Meeting

9/8/2015, 7 pm

Attendees: *Amy Bryan, Mr. Garbic, Dr. Jones, Pat Dean Brick, Mr. Johnson, Toby Salahuddin, Mrs. Wade, Dr. Woodward, Ursula Ratcliff, Weiming Qi, Kellie Reynolds, Shiva Bhuvanendran, Vidya Thirumalai*

Principal's Report:

Dr. Jones discussed the after-school clubs, there are about 300 students attending the clubs on a daily basis – that is about 900 kids each week. With the change in school timings this year, the clubs will run from 3:15 to 4:15. The clubs run on Tuesdays/Wednesdays/Thursdays. It costs about \$350 for a sponsor for one semester for a club. MCPS allocates about 350 hours which allows 4 to 6 clubs. Frost is looking into offering 16 additional clubs this year. Dr. Jones requested \$10,802 from PTSA to support after school clubs. Mr. Garbic was also at the meeting to discuss after-school clubs. Mr. Garbic is the after-school club coordinator at Frost. PTA paid for an extra activity bus last year. Activity buses for this year will be determined based on the enrollment and depending on where the students live. Each bus takes about 55 students.

Ursula mentioned that there is \$7,500 in the budget for after-school activities and bus. There is \$5,800 in membership so far this year, Ursula will provide a better estimate on how much the PTSA can support the after-school clubs after the Back to School Night on 9/24. PTA hopes to get more families to sign up for membership at the Back to school night.

PTA will continue to support outdoor ed and Chesapeake Bay trip same as past years.

Dr. Jones mentioned that the first Principal/Parent Breakfast will be on 10/1, Friday morning. The Team Leaders will be at the meeting to talk to the parents.

Movie Night:

Lisa has arranged for the movie night to be on 10/15/2015. Amy is going to book the cafeteria as a backup venue. The cost of the movie night is \$700.

Book Fair:

Amy has the following dates for book fair:

Setup on 2/19, the fair will run from 2/22 to 2/26, with STEM night the evening of 2/25.

6th grade mixer:

Sixth grade welcome mixer will be on 9/25.

PTA Board/Committee chairs – Open positions:

MCCPTA Delegate position is open.

Back To School Night:

There was discussion about how to get more families to sign up for PTA membership on the back to school night. There will be raffles during the evening, anyone who signs up for the membership during the night will be entered in the raffle. Toby will create a signup genius for volunteers at the PTA membership and spirit wear table during the evening.

Budget:

Ursula presented the budget for approval. Amy motioned for approval, and Ursula second the motion. The budget for the current school year was approved.

Minutes recorded by Vidya Thirumalai, PTSA Secretary