

Paul Duke STEM PTSA General Meeting
February 12, 2019
Paul Duke High School Cafeteria

Start: 5:10 p.m.

Dr. Wetherington: General welcome

Call to Order: President Andrea Antonowich

Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes Report (Secretary Helen West): The minutes from the August meeting have been posted on the Paul Duke STEM PTSA website, on the large screen in the Commons, and there are also copies in the Commons. The minutes were approved by Marti Kenworthy and seconded by Tisha Tomsik.

Budget (Treasurer Archana Mehta): The budget has been posted on the Paul Duke STEM PTSA website, on the large screen in the Commons, and the front and back doors.

The following budget amendments are proposed to improve PTSAs ability to categorize and report donations and expenditures.

- Under Income, add a subcategory called “Grants” with \$2,000 and the existing Unlock the Future donations will be changed to \$6,000
- Under Other Income, create a subcategory named “Concessions”
- Under Expenses and Scholastic Support, add a subcategory named Unlock the Future
- Under Expenses and Special Events, add STEM Night as a category
- Under Expenses, move Bank Charges under Administration
- Under Expenses, rename Miscellaneous to Other Expenses

The budget amendments were approved by Helen West and seconded by Kim Sidey.

Current Financials: The current financials are on the large screen in the Commons and copies are also available. As of February 12, our current income is \$14,802.79 and our current expenses are \$46,524.84 for a bank balance of \$8,277.95. No questions.

Announcements(VP Tisha Tomsik):

Since our last General Meeting in August, our PTSA has been actively engaged in our students' lives.

- Paul Duke STEM PTSA is the recipient of two \$1,000 National PTA grants. Included in this is tonight's raffle for a Google Pixelbook and Build Your Own Mousetrap Car activity.
- PTSA congratulates our five Student Representatives: William Tomsik, Emma , Brian Dillard, Matan Rabman, and Quinn Watch. They successfully implemented an student

fundraiser at Nitro Zone, created videos and other graphics for last week's Staff Appreciation Week, and are planning a spring outdoor lunch.

- PTSA has awarded approximately \$500 in teacher academic grants.
- Ten students placed on the school level in our Reflections program. Four students placed at the Area II Gwinnett competition and have moved on to the state level competition. Next school year's theme is "I Matter Because.."
- Paul Duke Dads was created with a donuts with dad as a first event. Any interested parents can speak to some of our dads at the Paul Duke Dads table.
- PTSA hosted a mock SAT/ACT test in conjunction with Applerouth tutoring. 77 students participated in this free event.
- Last week, our staff received passports and "traveled" to Belgium, Spain, Mexico, France, and Sweden to feast and enjoy raffles and massages. Many thanks to our chairs, Rita Figliolini and Marlene Sheppard, for an incredible week and to our families and businesses who donated their time and goods.

Announcements Upcoming Events (VP Tina Budnitz):

- We encourage you to attend GA PTA Day at the Capitol on February 28th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Registration is open on georgiapta.org.
- Our PTSA will host the inaugural Trivia Night led by Cornelia Harris, our Parliamentarian, on Friday, March 15 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- On March 19th at 7 a.m., we will hold our second PTSA members coffee/webinar with Dr. Wetherington.
- The PTSA Student Representatives are planning a student member outdoor lunch in the spring.
- Our last staff luncheon will be held on April 26.
- Elections for the Paul Duke STEM PTSA Executive Board will be held at our final General Meeting on April 25th in conjunction with our spring band and orchestra concert.
- There is still time to join PTSA and donate to our Unlock the Future Campaign. Please visit our membership table for more information.
- There are several raffles tonight. For as little as \$3, you can enter a chance to win a Google Mini, a Google DIY Voice Kit, and a Best Buy gift card. Visit our Spirit Gear table to find out more. In addition, a Google Pixelbook will be raffled at the Google "Be Internet Awesome" workshop immediately following this General Meeting.

Nominating Committee Election (Andrea): The next order of business is the election of a Nominating Committee. The purpose of the Nominating Committee is to recognize and seek qualified nominees for the elected leadership of the Paul Duke STEM PTSA.

(Parliamentarian/Cornelia Harris): Per Article VI, Section 8: There shall be a nominating committee composed of 3 members (must be an uneven number) and 1 alternate who shall be elected by this local PTSA at a regular general membership meeting at least one month prior to the election of officers, as outlined in Article VI, Section 3.

- a. All members of the nominating committee shall be a member of this PTA/PTSA.
- b. The committee shall elect its own chair.

- c. The nominating committee shall nominate an eligible person for each office to be filled and report its nominees at the regular general membership meeting in April at which time additional nominations may be made from the floor.
- d. Only those individuals who are current members of this local PTA/PTSA and who have signified their consent to serve if elected shall be nominated for, or elected to, such office.
- e. The president is not eligible for election to the nominating committee.
- f. The principal is eligible to serve if elected.

Andrea opened the floor for nominations.

By acclamation, we elected these three members: Ms. Brooks, Ms. Ebong, and Ms. Sidey, and one alternate, Ms. Kenworthy, the 2019 Nominating Committee.

Adjournment: Andrea No further business. The meeting was adjourned.

Ending Time: 5:40 p.m.