

Minutes

Elmhurst D205 PTA Council
Tuesday, September 6, 2022

Location: D205 Administrative Office

In Attendance:

Alison Dondlinger	Jenn Hall	Mary Young
Andrea San Luis	Jessica Testani	Meredith Hardt
Anne Zimmer	Jill McCall	Michelle Huber
Bridget Sundt	Jodi Dalton	Nicole Skaluba
Casey Braun	Karen Sienko	Rashidat Brobbey
Corrine Cecil	Kate Prasse	Sarah Jensen
Dena Fasheh	Katerina Hickey	Suji LaBine
Elena Cutri	Kelly Carpenter	Tracy Ries
Elise Szeghy	Kim Daly	Kara Caforio
Holly Bland	Kristy Maiers	Keisha Campbell
Jen Bosse	Mary Bis	

Meeting called to order by President, Alison Dondlinger, at 7:04pm. Minutes from the May 3, 2022 meeting will be distributed and presented for approval at the Oct 4, 2022 meeting.

District Reports:

Superintendent - Dr. Keisha Campbell:

- Adopted a new school-to-home communication called ParentSquare that replaced School Messenger. Thank you PTAs for using the new platform.
- Update on Strategic Planning Process - We are a unit district school and our students are on a journey of excellence. D205 students will be educated, engaged and empowered so that they are ready for college, career and life.
- D205 to launch a Parent University series. These webinars will deliver insight to child development and provide ideas to help parents support student learning.
- Student assessments starting.
- Social/Emotional learning update: Self management and perseverance are areas for growth. Professional development in this area has been provided for teachers.

Board of Education - Kara Caforio:

- Lincoln opened on time and under budget. Community open house on 10/8 and 10/15.
- Field Elem School has been razed and the new building taking shape quickly. The scope of the project expanded and more classrooms were added.
- Issued final set of bonds from the referendum.

PTA Council Board:

Treasurer Jennifer Bosse:

- Audit was conducted over the summer. Members present were Suji LaBine, Meghan Hood, Jen Bosse and Jennifer Cello (former treasurer). Balance on hand as of 6/30/22: \$10,768 in the Scholarship Fund and \$7,151 PTA Council Checking Account for total of \$17,920
- Need one school PTA to to complete the form for 20-23 school year donations.

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- No major changes to the Prelim Budget. Based on expected operating revenue, plan to award 12 scholarships. Added D205 Programming line-item for Chris Herren event.

Corresponding Secretary - Dena Fasheh: Please send your school's PTA board, SROH Rep, SERG Rep, and Reach Rep contact information.

Recording Secretary - Suji LaBine: Nothing to report.

VP Scholarship - Jess Testano:

- Partnered with Brewpoint Coffee to offer Scholarship Coffee. \$10 from every bag purchased is donated to the York Senior Scholarship fund. Please post on social media.
- Minted fundraiser is live again. Promo code active. Last year raised \$2000.
- Dukes that Dine will be Thur Nov 16 at Mata Ne. More information to come.
- Looking into possible partnership with York's La Brigade Restaurant.

VP Programs - Michelle Huber & Casey Braun: Added D205 Programming line-item in budget for Chris Herren event. Would like the group to consider adding funds raised from 2022 SROH to the D205 Programming budget.

President Elect - Jenn Hall: Nothing to report.

President - Alison Dondlinger:

- Illinois PTA Sales Tax Exempt Certificate for 2022-2023 should have been received.
- Please keep promotions/events in PTA newsletters until it expires.
- Be aware - A PTA was approached by a state rep asking to add a position for curriculum. Please contact Alison if anything like this happens in your PTA.

PTA Council Chairperson Reports

Reflections - Anne Zimmer & Jill McCall: Reflections Chair for PTA Dupage East Region is vacant. Therefore, no reflections for our district. Investigating options. Will contact Patrick Baker.

REACH Parent Group - Sarah Jensen:

- Sponsoring academic-based extra-curricular activities that are accessible to all students like Mathlete, Family Math Night and IL Math League.
- Looking to fundraise to bring back the parent series with Rush Neurobehavioral Center. 4 part series \$2400 and 3 part series \$1800.

Special Education Resource Group (SERG) - Mary Young & Elena Cutri:

- Please send your SERG rep contact information.
- Purchased materials to help parents through the IEP process.
- Received grant to purchase books for all schools and the Transition Center to increase awareness towards individuals with disabilities and allows students with disabilities to see themselves in the books.

Summer Rec Open House (SROH) - Jodi Dalton: Securing date in February for SROH.

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Dual Language Parent Committee (DPAC) - Karen Sienko: Will host 4 meetings this year that focuses around special topics.

Unit President Updates/Questions: None

New Business: A motion to allocate the funds raised from 2022 SROH to this year's D205 Programming budget was made by Michelle Huber. Motion was second. **Motion PASSED.**

Meeting Adjourned at 8:40pm.

Next Meeting is Tuesday, October 4, 2022 at 7pm.

Minutes Compiled by Suji LaBine, Recording Secretary