

Executive Board Meeting Minutes

AGMS PTO



September 8, 2023

Alexander Graham Middle School Media Center

Attachments: May 2023 AGMS PTO Executive Board Meeting minutes; AGMS PTO Financial Report

BOD Members present: Claire Marston, Brooke Koppang, Carolyn Floyd, Tempie Largen, Katie Williams, Mickie Hunneycutt, Mr. Conner, Morgan Rossner, Cecily Hudson

BOD Members Absent:

Meeting called to order at 8:50am

Topics

- Approval of Minutes (Executive) *Cecily Hudson*
 - Motion - Claire, seconded - Katie, unanimously approved
- Financial Report *Mickie Hunneycutt*
 - Mickie reviewed the attached financials in more detail because it was the first Exec Board meeting
 - Mr. Conner noted that the AGMS PTO is school governed and there is no pay back of dues to a national organization.
- Principal Report *Mr. Conner*
 - Teachers came back on August 14th and engaged in 2 full days regarding new initiative called *Capturing Kids Hearts* rolled out by the CMS new superintendent
 - AG was chosen to be one of first schools to start this initiative. It is an approach to discipline and building relationships with students.
 - Mr. Conner reviewed the CMS attachment that reviewed the EXCEL model
 - This year every student should engage in a social contract with their classroom
 - Reviewed the 4 behavior questions – reteaching social ques has been a challenge coming out of the pandemic
 - Discussion – what is the process if the framework does not work for classroom behavior?
 - If behavior is disruptive in the classroom, Mr. Conner said that parents could reach out to the teachers directly
 - Feedback from the PTO & SIT if that parents did not receive much communication from teachers. ParentSquare has been a positive experience
 - Teachers are also moving away from Chromebook work and bringing home workbooks which the Exec Board agreed was a positive
 - Group discussed teams/pods. Students are still in pods
 - Bulldog Bites was implemented as a warmup at the beginning of each class. The expectation to start the class before sharing good things in the class
 - Mr. Conner reviewed the school report card
 - AG did not meet growth last year, no central Charlotte middle school met growth
 - 80% of school grade is based on proficiency; 20% is based on growth
 - Last year, AG had 6 subgroups
 - The Hispanic and multilanguage subgroups had lowest growth and will be the focus for next year
 - Mr. Conner reviewed the AGMS Intensive ML Plan
 - **ACTION ITEM:** Katie Williams to communicate there is a need for parent volunteers as weekly reading buddies for ML students. There will be three 20-minute training offerings next Friday in the media center – 9:00am, 11:00am and 1:00pm. The commitment would be for 3-4 minutes each week per student.
 - **ACTION ITEM:** Mr. Conner is going also try to offer the training virtually

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- What additional support has been given to AG from CMS? They have given 1 extra allotment, but Mr. Conner needs to find someone that is certified ML. Also, still looking for a bilingual secretary
 - Presidents' Report *Carolyn Floyd/Tempie Largen*
 - Mr. Conner is looking for an after-school student representative.
 - Michele Mangum did a wonderful job with the back-to-school actives
 - Staff appreciation luncheon went well and almost the entire staff paid the PTO \$5 dues
 - Thank you to the office volunteers who have already been working in the office this school year
 - Corporate sponsorships – hoping to have the letter finalized this week and meet with the Bulldog Club next week. At the meeting the group will discuss moving the banners that are currently on Colony Road to the fence on Runnymede near the staff parking lot
 - **ACTION ITEM:** Bulldog Club needs to connect with vendor that has given them a quote for the flooding to be CMS approved as a vendor. The process to become a CMS approved vendor is fairly quick and easy.
 - Gym floor is now fixed
 - Ms. Newson is starting back Student Council
 - Discussed communicating Curriculum Night so there is better parent turnout.
 - Team discussed grade level field trips. The team discussed the need for our counselors to reach out to Randolph, Carmel & Sedgfield Middle School counselors to better understand how they have accomplished field trips at their schools
 - Other Business *Carolyn Floyd/Tempie Largen*
 - Action Item Review
 - Tempie will send an email to the Exec Board following the meeting to approve the 2023-2024 AGMS SIT members
 - Meeting Wrap Up *Carolyn Floyd/Tempie Largen*
- Meeting adjourned at 10:25am**