PTA Executive Board and Community Meeting Minutes–June 6, 2023

5pm Executive Board Meeting
Attendees:

Kat Davis, Deanna Lizas:	Co-Presidents
Bethany Hanna, Elizabeth McAdam:	Co-Vice Presidents
Jane Simons, Deborah Samenow*:	Co-Secretaries
Joanna Tipton*, Laura Bogomolny*, Nicki Kenny:	Co-Treasurers
Brooke Brown, Audrey Cooling*, Elizabeth Mitchell:	Past Co-Presidents, LSAT representatives
Danielle Singh:	Janney Principal
Nicole Ugel*:	AP
Liz DiCrosta, Robin English*:	Faculty Representative

*Not in attendance at this meeting

1) Motion to approve May meeting minutes; minutes approved.

2) Principal's/AP's Report
   a) DCPS Budget Updates - no update at this time. working through approved budget, which may include hiring student teachers through PTA positions (2 teachers through the MOU).
   b) School Building/Facility Update - No update on permanent HVAC
   c) Staffing Updates - current/next year – looking for full time music teacher (Ms. Gentile leaving); actively looking for a replacement. Ms. DiCrosta's partner teacher is retiring, and a few other's contracts are up but trying to keep some of those positions; still looking for world languages part time teacher.
   d) Any parent issues of note – hoping for more interest in LSAT
   e) A second grader had a family tragedy and lost their mother. Will check with family if they are comfortable sharing with the broader community. Discussion of how best to support the family and ensure students have resources regarding grief.

3) Teachers' Report-
   a) Science team looking for help with the garden (including chicken care) – planting, maintenance, harvesting, potentially starting garden market. Bethany has expertise she could offer to help. Mann has a garden market, could provide advice.
   b) Consider another clothing swap (consider also a Halloween swap) (consider it with fall picnic)
   c) looking for volunteer coaches for basketball, cross country, pep squad, coed flag football, indoor track (and maybe coed soccer). Grades are 3-5. Seeking someone interested in running a Janney athletics Instagram page to promote it
      (1) consider adding an athletics liaison to PTA
      (2) space is a challenge (we have one gym, one field).
   d) Art volunteers needed.

4) Presidents' Report

i) Recap on Past events – successful teacher Appreciation Week, Community Service book drive, musical, Spring Picnic + Clothing Swap Round 2, International Night, and Blood Drive

b) Updates on current and upcoming events (through May):
   i) Community Meeting Tonight
   ii) Fall celebration for Ann Beumel
   iii) Promotion – June 20
c) Musical did not use all the funds budgeted. Discussion of potential uses of balance.
d) Recruiting of committee chairs
   i) Committee chairs needed for next year: Auction co-chairs, Dining Out chair, BINGO co-chair; Greens co-chair; 5K government affairs; DEIB chair, garden co-chair help

5) Treasurers' Report
   a) SSF report – 97%! of budget. And participation is increasing.
   b) Audit is done

6pm COMMUNITY MEETING

1) Welcome and thank yous
   a. Presidents thank community for support
   b. Individual Committee chairs recognized
   c. Thank you to outgoing executive board, teacher representatives, Principal Singh, Ann B., Ms. CC, Ms. Franklin and Ms. Reid
2) Vote new slate of PTA officers
   a. Slate of officers approved:
      i. Co-Presidents: Bethany Hanna and Elizabeth McAdam
      ii. Co-Vice Presidents: Jane Simons and Nora Stein
      iii. Co-Treasurers: Laura Bogomolny, Nicki Kenny, and Carter Price
      iv. Co-Secretaries: Rob Grefenius and Caryn Marks
      v. Co-Past Presidents: Kat Davis and Deanna Lizas
   b. Current VPs recognize Kat and Deanna
3) Review budget
   a. Motion to approve budget, seconded. Budget approved.
4) Recognize graduating 5th grade parent volunteers
5) Honor Ann B. and her upcoming retirement with presentation of gifts and video messages of thanks; Ann's remarks
6) Adjourn