

## **UA PTO General Membership Meeting Minutes**

**December 08, 2015**

Meeting called to order by President Kelley Caspary at 8:10 a.m.

### **Executive Board Reports**

#### **President, Kelley Caspary**

\*2015 Year in Review, PTO has/will fund/host: Fall Festival, Original Artwork, Book Fair, Teacher Closest and holiday staff luncheon.

\*Ugly/Tacky Holiday Sweater Picture was taken. All that wore a sweater were given a coupon for a free Chill Yogurt. Dr. Crowe will judge and announce the winner at the end of the meeting.

#### **Vice President, Andre Boyd**

\*Called for approval of By-Law changes from November's Meeting; (a)Teacher and Para will not have to pay \$10.00 PTO Membership Fee. Motion was made by Jenny Beighey. Second was made by Jane Simmons. All were in favor, motion passed. (b) Rock and Rock Academy Chair Position added to PTO. Motion was made by Jane Simmons. Second was made by Julie Hilton. All were in favor, motion passed.

#### **Secretary, Michelle Sullivan**

\*90 current PTO Memberships. **Kelley Caspary** called for approval of November PTO General Membership Minutes. Motion was called by Jenny Beighey, Second motion by Amy Garrison. All approved, minutes accepted.

\*December Spirit Day has been changed from benefiting St. Andrew's Bay Center to benefit the Calloway Family. The Calloway family youngest son lost his battle with Cancer and has a brother that attends UA. We thank everyone that helped the Calloway Family during their time of need. January Spirit Day will benefit St.

Andrew's Bay Center.

\* Dr. Crowe spoke thanking PTO for the money for the Teacher Closet. It helps with supplies and the teachers appreciate the help. A member asked if parents can contribute funds if they choose to the closet and they may.

### **Treasurer, Valerie Voorheis**

Profit and Loss Detail Report for October-December was made available. Teacher Closet was funded \$1900. Talon Ticket Party funds moved to store funds.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Events, Jane Simmons**

Father/Daughter Dance theme will be "A Night Abroad" Dance will be Friday, February 5, 2016. Next planning committee will be Thursday, December 10 at 2 p.m.

Family Breakfast will resume on Friday, January 8. SignUpGenius will be sent asking for Doughnuts and Fruit. Julie Hilton offered to bring Allergy/Gluten Free food items.

### **Fundraising, presented by Kelley Caspary**

\$1600 was raised from Original Artwork. Run the Runway will take place on Saturday, April 23, 2016. Committee meetings for planning will begin after the holidays. The run will benefit Art/Music Program. It was originally voted that the proceeds would benefit Rock and Roll Academy. The funds need to benefit all students therefore, it will benefit Arts and Music. Currently students are exposed to art within their homeroom class. It the hopes of the school that a traditional art class will be added for the 2016-2017 school year.

### **Communications, Amy Garrison**

Send any pics to Amy via email or text. Information on events and activities are kept current on UA's Facebook page.

### **Room Parent Support, Jenny Beighey**

Please check with Room Parents on Holiday events.

### **Open Dialogue for Membership**

Julie Hilton spoke about Music/Rock and Roll Academy. Music on the Green would like for more people to attend. Use better marketing. Weekdays rates for the featured artist is cheaper than on weekends. A meeting needs to be scheduled with Mrs. Shaling and parents to address the goals, what are we doing to achieve the goals. Rock and Roll Academy helps with social skills and overall learning experience for the students. Dr. Crowe noted that sixth graders will have the opportunity to attend RRA the last nine weeks of the school year.

### **Principal's Report, Dr. Crowe**

Thank you for providing Thanksgiving lunch! University Academy received perfect ratings with the Charter School review. Debbi Whitaker is a top 5 finalist for Bay District Teacher of the Year, she's the first teacher for Charter Schools to be in the top 5, we are very proud of Mrs. Whitaker.

\*First Grade families, thank you for providing food all week and at the funeral reception for the Calloway Family.

\*Winner of the Ugly/Tacky Sweater Contest is Valerie Voorheis, she was awarded a \$25 gift card to Publix.

\*Winners of the Holiday Classroom Door Decorating Contest: First Place; Cimato, Second Place; Malburg and Third Place; Holtgrewe. Classes will be given an Ice Cream Party prior to Holiday Break.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:44 a.m.

Next PTO General Membership Meeting will be January 12, 2016 at 6 p.m.

Notes prepared by Michelle Sullivan, Secretary