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District Executive Board Meeting

Thomas Jefferson High School for Science & Technology

6560 Braddock Road, Alexandria, VA 22312

Thursday, January 22, 2009

7:30 p.m.

Rescheduled from Jan. 21, 2009

Board Minutes

Members Present:

Debbie Kilpatrick, District Director
Nina Austin, 1st Assistant District Director
Rob Horvath, 2nd Assistant District Director
David Edelman, Legislation Chair
Delia Valentine, Membership Chair
Sonia Guzman, Bylaws Chair
Terri Flowers Bull, Education Chair
Denise Bolton, VA Arts in Education Chair
Ramona Morrow, VA Historian

Call to Order/Adoption of the Agenda

- The meeting was called to order by Debbie Kilpatrick at 7:38 pm.

Approval of Minutes – November 19, 2008

- November 19, 2008 District Meeting Minutes were approved as corrected with Alana Heng in attendance and Vickie Cattaneo excused, and the correct spelling of Melynda Wilcox.

Financial Report

- The proposed District Allotment Income Budget was adopted to be sent in by Feb. 1, 2009.

Council and City Rep Reports

- Nina Austin reported for Arlington County that the Reflections Ceremony is scheduled for Tuesday, January 27, 2009. The County is conducting a search for a new Superintendent.
- Ramona Morrow reported for Fairfax County Council that the date has not been set yet for the Reflections Ceremony. The budget, later start time for high school students, and the Fairgrade grading scale were topics discussed at the Fairfax County Council meeting.

Committee Chair Reports

- Annual Meeting: Debbie Kilpatrick reported that National PTA President Jan Harp Domene will be the guest speaker. Dan Phillips will be our State Representative at the dinner. Appropriate thank you gifts for the guest speakers were discussed. Terry Flowers Bull will contact Lee High School regarding music students to perform during dinner.

- Bylaws and Membership – Sonia Guzman reported that she sent emails to School PTA Presidents regarding bylaws that are due. She has had a good response. Delia Valentine reported that she sent emails to schools that haven't paid their dues and has heard back from some of them.
- Communications – Newsletter will be published in mid to late February.
- Education – Terri Flowers Bull reported that she will attend the VA PTA Education meeting.
- Reflections – Denise Bolton reported that she turned in the District entries to the State. She will contact Patricia regarding the District ceremony for March.
- Special Projects – Debbie Kilpatrick reported that the information regarding the District Citizenship Essay, Scholarship, and District Volunteer of the Year is advertised on the district website.
- Legislation – VA PTA Day at the GA – Jan. 26, 2009, Reception will be held 11-12 in the Third Floor Conference Room East. Three students from Annandale High School will attend.

District Directors Report

- Debbie Kilpatrick reported that she presented the VA PTA Membership awards to Virginia Run ES PTA, Weyanoke ES PTA, and Langley HS PTSA.
- Debbie presented the PTA Schools of Excellence Award to Lake Anne ES PTA and will present the award to Lake Braddock Secondary PTSA in February.
- VA PTA has partnered with VA Lottery to promote the Super Teacher award. 100 free tickets to the George Mason basketball game on Feb. 18, 2009 will be available to distribute to teachers across the district. Also, teachers will be able to buy one ticket and get one free. We need to inform PTAs and schools of the promotion.

New Business

The deadline for the nominees for the District Nominating Committee is February 10, 2009.

Announcements

- Next District Board Meeting to be held on Monday, February 23, 2009, 7:30 p.m., TJHSST Career Center due to basketball game on Feb. 18, 2009.

Adjournment was called at 9:34 pm.

Submitted by: Nina Austin, 1st Asst Director, in lieu of Secretary

Approved: *Angela Nesley, District Secretary*

Date: **February 23, 2009**