

# **Friends of Pulaski Board of Directors Meeting April 13, 2016**

The Board meeting was called to order by the President at 7:40 pm.

## **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Ms. Sarah Harris  
Ms. Laura Stein  
Mr. Scott Suckow  
Ms. Michelle Maher  
Mr. David Benson  
Ms. Debbie Gibbons  
Mr. James Sowka

## **MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Mr. Bob Fox

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the March 16, 2016 Board Meeting by Scott Suckow and seconded by Debbie Gibbons. The motion passed unanimously.

- **PRINCIPAL AND LSC UPDATES**
  - Dr. Bedard informed the LSC that she will not seek a new contract. She is not seeking another position with CPS.
  - LSC elections held today from 6 AM to 7 PM at Pulaski.
- **TREASURER**
  - Total income as of March 2016 just over \$42k.
- **PROJECTS AND PROCUREMENT**
  - Scott, Laura, Ms. Natale and Dr. Bedard met Wednesday afternoon (4/13)
  - Determining immediate needs that may not be covered by school budgeted funds for purchase (projectors, etc.)
  - Discussed launching a bigger project that Friends of Pulaski can fund and fundraise towards for rest of this year
    - One-to-one devices for students
    - Works with the IB curriculum and individualized learning
    - Could pilot with a few classrooms of teachers eager to do this
    - Possible application process for teachers who are interested explaining how they would make use of one-to-one devices in their classrooms
    - Management of a one-to-one device program
    - Teacher training
    - Backend setup for Ms. Natale and Mr. W. at the school
- **VOLUNTEERS**

- Started off the year strong with 3 Kiss and Go volunteers per day but lost some over the winter. Hoping to recruit new parents as the year winds down so we can start strong again next year. Interested in Kiss n' Go? Contact [bob@friendsofpulaski.org](mailto:bob@friendsofpulaski.org)
  - We hope to dramatically increase our volunteer outreach as well as FOP communications. Today at report card pickup every teacher's sign-in sheet had a box to check if parents wish to receive our communications.
  - Saturday, April 30, 10a-2p Spring Cleaning (Mulch, weed, general garden spruce up). Rain date Sunday, May 1. Kids welcome. Bring your garden tools, rakes, tree trimmers, shovels, wheelbarrows, etc.
  - Library assistance needed
  - Teacher Treats is all full!
  - Lunch /recess volunteers needed – contact Michelle Sherman if interested; michellemclung@hotmail.com.
  - Contact Bob Fox for these and future volunteer opportunities – bob@friendsofpulaski.org
- **COMMUNICATIONS**
    - No Update
- **FUNDRAISING**
    - Chipotle Dine Out April 13<sup>th</sup> (report card pickup day), 4-8 PM
- **OUTREACH**
    - Fun run planning has started!
      - Melissa Kieta (chair), Luann Ray, Lezlie Mackie, Michelle Sherman, Julie Valentin, Suzy McClure
      - End of June/beginning of July all sponsor donations and art work secured
      - Fun Run Kickoff at Back to School Block Party
      - Thursday Oct. 6 FUN RUN, rain date Oct. 7
- **TEACHER LIAISON**
    - Sarah will reach out to teachers regarding interest in the Saber run in May.
- **NEW BUSINESS**
    - Sabers Run 2016
      - Patrick Gray organizing a race for Pulaski families on the 606.
      - May 21, 9 AM
      - Permits are not being given for the 606 yet, just for the adjacent parks.
      - Working on parent volunteers to stay in the park with young kids not participating while other parents may want to go for a run.
    - Mulch expense for Garden Club. Mulch being delivered April 30<sup>th</sup>.
    - Univision Media Center at Pulaski
    - New Slate for May elections:
      - Co-presidents: Laura Stein and Jamie Ayers
      - Treasurer: Leanne Sardiga
      - Secretary: Michelle Maher
      - Communications: Jen Arnquist

- Volunteers: Bob Fox
  - Projects and Procurement: Scott Suckow
  - Teacher Liaison: Sarah Harris
  - Fundraising: David Benson
- Open Meeting Topics
    - Next Meeting May 18, Pulaski library
    - New Slate approved at May meeting

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at approximately 8:58 PM.

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