

H.B. Plant PTSA General Membership Meeting

November 7, 2017

H.B. Plant Media Center

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Connie Mayts at 6:33 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. A quorum was established. Connie Mayts requested a motion to approve the minutes from the October 3, 2017 General Membership Meeting. A motion was made and seconded for approval.

President's Report: Connie Mayts

- Connie Mayts introduced Private Prep which is one of the PTSA sponsors. Private Prep is an individual, customized tutoring company for ACT and SAT/standardized test prep.
- Emily, Student Liaison, gave an update on her pageant which will focus on teen mental awareness.
- Bob Schofner joined to share what he plans to do with the Lightning Hero funds. Planning scholarships for Beta tutoring students. Proposing two \$500 scholarships.
- First Annual Staff Holiday Dinner – Mr. Bush wanted to wrap up the year in a social way with a dinner. From a funding perspective, PTSA will be kicking off a fundraising effort. The theme will be "Thank a teacher, champion a child". Money raised will fund the dinner and any additional funds will be allocated to the programs of PTSA that help teachers and students. Already over 180 attendees for the event on December 22nd.
- Working on a Hyde Park fundraiser to be held Friday, December 1st from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. Have commitments from Kendra Scott and Vineyard Vines. Will donate 20% back to Plant High School.

1st VP-President Elect: Michelle Maingot

- No report.

VP Membership's Report: Elizabeth Elorza

- 2017-2018 membership is on target. However, we are a bit behind on donations. Funds support programs that benefit students and teachers.

Treasurer's Report: Ansley Kriz

- Budget provided on all tables. A brief update was provided.
- Need a vote to add Bob Schofner scholarship to budget. However, the funds will be received and same amount will be awarded out. A motion was made and seconded for approval.

Corresponding Secretary Report: Laura Davis

- No report.

Recording Secretary Report: Katie Clark

- No report.

Committee Chair Reports:

- Donna re: Community Service Fair held today at Plant during lunch. Organizations that joined included Oasis, American Cancer Society, Relay for Life, The Prep, The Spring, PET, and Hospice Care Center.
- Merrie Tankersley – Panther Acts of Kindness (PAKs) – Nothing Bundt Cake made a generous donation of cakes for the teachers.
- Kimberly Davis - School of Excellence – Mental Health/Suicide Prevention is the desired focus. However, National PTSA recommended to wait to receive back the PTSA surveys distributed to Plant families. We have about 120 responses but need more to get feedback regarding Plant's focus area.
- Jodi Kerr – Sullivan Elementary support. Have a conference night that we will be supporting with dinner from Jimbo's barbeque. Sullivan is the school for Metropolitan Ministries.

Principal's Report: Mr. Webb

- Attendance is way down. 93% at same time last year to 82% this year.
- 4 weeks away from semester exams.
- Football game Friday night against East River.
- Saturday night is Panther Bowl.

Guest Speaker: Ms. Moseley

- College Application process:
 - All grades
 - JROTC is hosting a career event tomorrow;
 - @plantccc is plant's twitter account (Ms. Moseley);
 - Freshman
 - Working on Peers Club. 11th and 12th paired with a freshman. Upper classman get service hours;
 - Sophomore
 - There is a leadership seminar that happens over the summer. Students can apply to be school nominee. Application is due Monday, November 13th.
 - Junior/Senior
 - Test prep is the theme of junior/senior year.
 - Free SAT school day on March 7th for all juniors. No registration required. This is through Hillsborough County.
 - PSAT scores projected to come out December 13th.
 - ACT is not offered for free in our district.
 - Colleges have no preferences between the two tests.
 - 2 opportunities – summer 8 week paid leadership program at a non-profit and a week trip to Washington D.C. Go to [BankofAmerica.com/student leaders](http://BankofAmerica.com/studentleaders).
 - For junior boys – Florida Boys State which is a week long program/mock government. Students go to Tallahassee and participate in a mock government process;
 - Bright futures – district automatically sends grades, test scores, community service hours and complete a second transmission at the end of school year. Need to complete online Bright Futures application;

- District financial aid workshop at Jefferson on November 30th at 6:00 p.m.; educationfoundation.com has opened many new scholarships; she is working on plant scholarship info and should have be out before break;
- UT having instant admission day November 17th, sign up is on Family Connection.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Katie Clark, Recording Secretary

Read: _____ Date: _____

OR

Corrected: _____ Date: _____