

Duval County Council of PTAs
General Meeting
March 24, 2015

- School Board The Honorable Dr. Connie Hall thanked everyone for all PTA does to represent children and families. As a former principal and teacher, Dr. Hall understands the value of PTA. PTA speaks with one voice and is an advocate for all. Dr. Hall was glad to see a father on our board. Her father was a PTA president. Dr. Hall noted that the National PTA president is currently male. She encourages all dads to get involved as they are valuable and their influence is positive in the lives of children.
- Call to Order The general meeting of the Duval County Council of PTAs was held in the Cline Auditorium at the Duval County School Board on March 24, 2015. The president, Margaret Godke, called the meeting to order at 9:32 AM. The secretary was present.
- Quorum A quorum was established.
- Minutes The minutes of February 2015 were approved as written.
- Correspondence Ann Gipalo sent thank you notes to our nine past presidents in attendance at our Founders' Day program. A thank you card was sent to Faye Norris for speaking at our lunch and learn program the same day. Two get well cards were sent to the FLPTA board.
- Treasurer's Report Jenifer Morgan reported that the beginning balance on February 1, 2015 was \$58111.46. Receipts totaled \$9124.08. Disbursements totaled \$5207.97. Balance on hand February 28, 2015 was \$62027.57. Report is filed for audit.
- New Business Jenifer Morgan, head of the nominating committee, presented the nominations for the 2015-2016 Duval County Council executive board: President Karen Nuland, 1st Vice-President of Programs Felita Tutt, 2nd Vice President of Mentors Victor Melone, 3rd Vice-President of Leadership Juliann Gaus-Graeser, Recording Secretary Mandi Welch, Corresponding Secretary Melissa Daniel, Treasurer Jenifer Morgan. Mary Lobello, parliamentarian, read the bylaws pertinent to nominations. Further nominations for each office were opened to the floor. No further nominations were received. Nominations were closed. The vote was held. One nay was recorded. The nominations were approved and the officers will be installed during the April general meeting. Thank you to the nominating committee.
- Committee Reports AWARDS: All DCCPTA awards are due on or before noon on Tuesday April 28, 2015 after our regular monthly general meeting. Award applications may be mailed to our P.O. Box, but they must arrive by 5:00 pm Monday April 27, 2015.
- BUSINESS PARTNERS: Kim Sheldon is currently looking for a shadow for her position as business partners and vendor fair chair. Please e-mail her at ksheldon.pta@att.net if interested. Our vendors fair before the P&P luncheon

will be on May 19, 2015 from 9:00am-11:30am. H&R Block will now enroll your school as a partner and give credit back to your school for anyone who has their taxes prepared at their business. Check our website for more offers from Office Depot, Mathnasium, Kaplan and more.

WORKSHOPS: The Spring Leadership Workshop will be Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at the Schultz Center. Classes will be held at 9am, 10am, and 11am.

LEGISLATIVE: Please sign up for legislative alerts at www.floridapta.org under the advocacy tab. Upcoming meetings include the DCPS community meetings on March 24, 2015 at Atlantic Coast at 7pm and March 31, 2015 at A. Philip Randolph at 6:30pm as well as JPEF's One by One FSA Information Night on March 30, 2015 at the Friday Musicale from 5:30-7:30pm. Watch for information on the DCCPTA and FLPTA websites and through e-mail alerts.

P&P LUNCHEON: Tickets are now available for pick-up. Order forms can be found online at www.dccpta.org. Tickets are available to units in good standing only. Please e-mail Rick Godke 3 or 4 pictures from your PTA with a description of each photo before the end of April. These will be used for a slideshow. Send pictures or any help requests about starting your own PTA website to rgodke@yahoo.com.

RECORDS: Betty Marty reported that 96 units are currently in good standing.

SCHOLARSHIP: Graduating seniors' applications are due postmarked by March 31, 2015.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP: Gretchen Lynch reported on the Superintendent's Leadership Academy that hosted 3 students from each participating high school on 4 different Saturdays at Paxon School for Advanced Studies. The students also traveled to Tallahassee to tour the governor's mansion, passed a mock bill, and met with the Duval Legislative Delegates. They will have a reception at the School Board meeting in April and receive completion certificates from the superintendent.

TEACHER SUPPLY DEPOT: The next teacher and PTA president giveaway is Thursday, April 2, 2015 at 3pm. There will be an invitation only giveaway on May 14, 2015.

1st VP

Our guest speakers today were Monique Ellis (Monique.ellis@flhealth.gov) from the Childhood Obesity Coalition, Dan Davis (ddavisjax@gmail.com 904-635-3095) from All Pro Dads, and Melissa Daniel (Legislation@dccpta.org) from San Pablo PTA on the FSA Parent Information Night. Flyers are attached and the contact information for each speaker is on our agenda.

PTA 101

Sandalwood High School PTSA won the FLPTA state grant to the legislative conference. Thomas Jefferson won the DCCPTA county grant to the legislative conference.

SAVE THE DATE: Florida PTA's 2015 Leadership Convention will be July 17-19, 2015. National PTA's Convention and Expo will be June 25-28, 2015.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 10:59 AM.

Mandi Welch, Secretary

Approved As:

Date: _____ Corrected: _____ Written: _____