McDonogh #35 Parent Teacher Organization Meeting

Wednesday, February 6, 2019, 5:30 p.m. McDonogh #35 Library – 4000 Cadillac Street

Attendees: PTO Officers: Lynn Pittman (Vice President), Trenise Pittman (Corresponding Secretary), Dave Cash (Recording Secretary), Ronald Magee (Sergeant at Arms); Courtney Taylor (Parent Liaison); parents (TBA)

Vice President Lynn Pittman called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

Introductions and Purpose

Vice President Pittman said the purpose of the meeting was to give updates on some outstanding agenda items.

Trenise Pittman moved and Courtney Taylor seconded to waived the reading of the minutes of the January 9, 2019 meeting.

<u>Carried</u>

Courtney Taylor moved and Trenise Pittman seconded to accept the minutes of the January 9, 2019 meeting. Carried

Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

Reading of the Financial Report

Zanda Dandy reported that our current account is balance is \$1,809.88, unchanged from her last report.

Trenise Pittman moved and Courtney Taylor seconded to accept the financial report. Carried

PTO Initiatives

Vision Essay/Art Contest – VP Pittman reported that the judges for the contest will be Tyra Mansion, Tessa DeBose, Johnell Williams, and Michelle Rolle. Dave Cash made the flyers and got them put up around the school. Courtney Taylor has given the flyers to all the English teachers. Jason Ogle asked for a rubric and Vice President Pittman will provide that to Ms. Taylor.

Car Wash – VP Pittman explained this fundraiser we'll be doing with the Pelican Pointe car wash. She distributed information and will get the tickets so we can start selling them.

College Project – VP Pittman explained our plans for the college project. When the description is solidified, Courtney Taylor will bring it around and ask teachers if they will give extra credit or a grade for it.

Service Project – VP Pittman explained our plans to organize a day of service for students who are not taking the ACT on March 12. Courtney Taylor said that the counselors are already organizing something for the sophomores and that all the juniors and seniors will be testing.

Spring Fling – VP Pittman explained our plans to organize an afternoon activity the day before spring break (which is also right before EOC testing begins) in order to motivate students and help them relax ahead of testing.

Appreciations – VP Pittman explained our idea have an award ceremony for the unsung heroes at McDonogh 35: custodians and cafeteria workers. We are also planning a ceremony to show an appreciation video about teachers to them during Teacher Appreciation week.

Open Floor Discussions

Tyra Mansion expressed concern that parents of girls on the softball team have been told that they must raise the money to pay for referees or the season will be cancelled. The school said they will provide

Several people noted that according to Title IX, girls must receive everything the boys do.

Ronald Magee moved and Courtney Taylor seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m. Carried

Respectfully submitted: Dave Cash, Recording Secretary.