

Livonia PTSA Council Executive Board Meeting

February 16, 2022

In attendance: Andrea Malenfant, Mandy Gerstenbrand, Jon Wennstrom, Laura Ulaszek, Chris Chmura, Dan Willenborg, Nikki Watson, Nicole Dant, Andrea Oquist, Phil Francis

In attendance via Zoom: Lynda Scheel, Mike Testa

Meeting called to order: 6:08 p.m. by Mandy G.

Approval of January meeting minutes: Motion to approve by Nicole D., 2nd by Laura U. Minutes unanimously approved.

Superintendent Report – Andrea Oquist

- District shared new COVID 19 mandate updates from Wayne County today with parents. The district will continue to follow the guidelines from Wayne County.
- Not one case of COVID 19 reported across the entire district yesterday. 1st time since the Pandemic started.

Presentation of Progress with Bond Funds – Phil Francis

- Bond passed in May 2021
- New playground equipment/structures were one of the first things ordered. Unfortunately, due to delays from the pandemic, the district is still waiting on the installment of several structures.
- Planning to complete previously identified projects that could not be covered by 2013 Bond such as renovations to media centers, kitchens, air conditioning, and facility improvements (doors, restrooms, etc.).
- This summer Coolidge, Kennedy, Randolph, Cooper, and Emerson will get renovations and Air conditioning. Grant, Hayes, Hoover, Johnson, Riley, Holmes, and Churchill will get air conditioning only (renovations will be done in the future).
- Livonia Career Center has architectural plans in progress which will include an addition to the building for Robotics.
- Blueprints of proposed LMC renovations for Emerson & Randolph shown.
- Video walkthrough of proposed LCTC & Robotics shown.

Elementary Report – Jon Wennstrom

- Thanks to Be Kind Livonia initiative for pizza lunches and goodie bags for staff.
- K-6 iReady reading testing next week. ACAT testing is also happening.
- SEL curriculum in classrooms in continuing and going well
- March is reading month coming.
- Kindergarten registration started February 1st.

Secondary Report – Dan Willenborg

Respectfully submitted by Andrea Malenfant

- Winter sports winding down. Franklin Pom 1st place in Division 1, Churchill Pom 1st place Division 2.
- Parent Teacher conferences coming up. Spring Fling Concert March 23rd.
- SAT and PSAT in April
- Robotics will be hosting a tournament at Churchill. Frost Robofalcons headed to Texas in April to compete.
- Coming Home dances were canceled. The decision was made in January. Replacement dances will happen possibly in March.
- Receiving a lot of calls from parents regarding safety measures to protect from school shootings. The district has plans and procedures in place, but Mr. Willenborg asks that parents reach out to legislators about strict gun safety laws. Asking that parents keep guns safely locked away. Recommended website everytownforgunsafety.org

NEW BUSINESS

Founder's Day – Mandy G. for Kellie D.

- RSVP's due March 7th. Will send email reminders.
- Program ready for printing. How many are needed? Has certificates and display folders ordered.
- \$25 gift card to Target for student nominees.
- Reached out to Orchestra leaders to have students play music at event.

Nominations Committee – Chris C.

- Presented slate for the 2022 – 2023 LPTSA Council Executive Board:
 - President** – Andrea Malenfant
 - 1st VP** – Sara Bennett
 - 2nd VP** – Mandy Gerstenbrand
 - Treasurer** – Debbie Pline
 - Recording Secretary** – Kellie Dummer
 - Corresponding Secretary** – Mike Testa
- Slate approved by quorum. No nominations suggested from the floor.
- Voting will commence at the next Council meeting on April 20th.

OLD BUSINESS

Transportation Appreciation – Mandy G.

- As of today \$305, collected through Memberhub
- Items are coming in from the Amazon list
- Mandy will reach out to Jill about using a meeting room in BOE to put bags together (March 7th) and store until delivery (March 9th).

OFFICER REPORTS

Treasurer Report – Nicole D.

- Checks to Mandy G. totaling \$93.56
- Deposit of \$0.21

Respectfully submitted by Andrea Malenfant

President's Report – Mandy G.

- Suggestion of Council stationery and business cards. Will look into pricing.

Membership – Mandy G. for Sara B.

- 2626 members currently
- 5 schools still need to fix their insurance issue in Memberhub. Liaisons will contact them.

YMAD – Nikki W.

- Remind schools to turn in their counts by March 1st.

PEP – Mandy G. for Sara B.

- PEP updated on website

Advocacy – Mike T.

- MI PTA Advocacy Day registration link now open. Saturday March 19th 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Open Discussion:

- Shake Shack Dine to Donate fundraiser for Council? If it goes well, other units could do the same and help form a good relationship with Shake Shack.
- Nicole D. Motioned to amend bylaws regarding nominations committee. Proposed that the committee should not consist of any person nominated for the EB and if an existing committee member is nominated, they must remove themselves from the committee.

Motion to Adjourn at 7:37 p.m. by Andrea M. 2nd by Laura U.

***Addendum:**

The motion by Nicole D. was not followed by a second motion from another member before adjournment of the meeting. Due to the absence of a second motion, the motion could not be considered per Robert's Rules. I have suggested to the President and Nicole D. that the discussion be tabled until the next EB meeting where Nicole D. can motion to reconsider.