

Fairchild Wheeler Interdistrict Magnet School PTSO
September 11, 2014
Minutes

Attendees: Engineering Co-President (**Carmen Hufcut**), Information Technology Co-President (**Alicia Thompson**), Biotech Co-President (**Keyla Medina**), PTSO Treasurer, PTSO Secretary (**Sharon Maxwell**), IT Principal (**Victor Black Ed.D**), Biotech Principal (**Michael Watson, Ed.D**), Engineering Principal (**Mr. Jay Lipp**), Vice Principal (**Beth Furnari**), Home School Coordinator (**Regina Blanding Vermont**), SGC members, and other parents

Meeting began 7:00 pm

Meeting Called to Order

Welcome/Introduction

Old Business: (recap of last year)

- Career Day very successful, students excited. Highlight of the event Tesla and plastic surgeon from St. Vincent's Hospital.
- S4 event successful-a lot of feedback received...approx. 30 people attended...do again next year
- 3 separate boards (SGC & PTSO): Recruit more
 - School growing
 - 2 year position (staggered)
 - Open house
- Fundraising efforts discussed:
 - dress down day
 - Car wash
 - Student vs staff game (volleyball)
 - Movie night (copyright?)
 - Wonderland of Ice
 - Bluefish/Sound Tigers
 - Can/bottle drive
 - Shred-it
- Set dates now for school calendar
- Enrollment: Each school has 375 students for next year
 - Spirit wear (logo for specific school)
 - Student Council-Yearbook
 - 21 new staff members
- Transportation issues: being looked into
 - Parking for student drivers (quarterly/grades)
- National Honor Society-Membership Cost

New Business:

- Welcome New Vice Principal, Home School Coordinator
- Future of the board:
 - Moving forward with 3 separate boards
 - Elections for next month (survey monkey)
 - No PTSO membership dues
 - Student representatives
- Vacant Positions:
 - vice presidents (3)
 - Secretary (2) Bilingual
 - Treasurer/Fundraising Coordinator (3)
 - 5 members at large
- Fundraising Ideas:
 - Carwash
 - Volleyball
 - Hat day
 - Wonderland of Ice
 - Can/bottle drive
 - Penny war
 - Bluefish/Sound Tigers
 - Breast Cancer

Campus has been evaluated by Jinger Cole, contracted to be in compliance with grant requirements

Max Mentorship—information to come home

Comradity Stamford company—potential dual level mentorship

Student partnership with junior/seniors

Future Problem Solvers?

Philosophy—“Building Engineers to implement/create something new” innovative ideas

ECO Club—Monday 2:30-4:00 (next week)

Transportation issues for after school activities: don’t have resources, can’t use grant

Ring Dance?

PE Requirement?

Meeting adjourned 8:00 pm

Next meeting October 9, 2014 at 7:00-8:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Sharon Maxwell