

Richard Montgomery HS PTSA Meeting Minutes: November 20, 2018

Cynthia Cotte Griffiths, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. All members signed in. A quorum was present.

Approval of October 16, 2018 Minutes

Tina Valenti moved and the minutes passed.

Treasurer's Report– Tina Valenti

No financial activity for Post Prom in October.

Membership donations are still under what was budgeted. Audit of last year's finances was successfully completed. Christina Bour moved and the report passed.

Committee Reports

Grant Committee – Christina Bour. The committee received applications in the amount of \$5,288. Since that was under the budgeted amount, all of the applications were approved. Grants were made to six different school departments, and included funding for clubs, art projects, motivational speakers, and a book project for 9th graders.

Career Day – Cindy Cotte Griffiths/Vince Mickens. Will be Friday March 1st with a snow date of Wed April 3rd. Google sign up form will be available after Thanksgiving.

MCCPTA CIP Testimony – Cindy Cotte Griffiths. Testimony was about overcrowding and the difficulties of waiting ten years for alleviation of overcrowding with construction of new high school at Crown Farm. There was also testimony about injuries and abrasions from defective turf.

Requests for PTSA support/volunteers

Volunteer needs – Teacher Appreciation Chair and Career Day Chair 2019-20.

Gift cards are needed for the holiday staff raffle by Nov 30.

Old/New Business

Brick update – Cindy Cotte Griffiths has proofs for the bricks, will try to have the bricks installed by MCPS maintenance staff.

Principal's Report – Damon Monteleone

Enrollment is at 2,500 and growing. One million dollars allocated for renovations to add classrooms, weight room, science lab. Probably two more portables will be installed.

Upcoming Active Assailant Training. New protocols are based on premises of: Avoid, Deny, Defend from the Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events training. Staff will be trained on Dec 10th. Students will be shown a scripted Power Point presentation from the police department later in December. Other MCPS high schools have already done this training successfully.

Lynn Greer moved and the meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Bour

Recording Secretary