

Area I Gwinnett County Council of PTAs



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Meeting Minutes

Area 1 Council Volunteer Appreciation Dinner & General Meeting

Tuesday, May 2, 2017, 6:30 pm

Shiloh High School, 4210 Shiloh Road, Snellville, GA 30039

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm. Angela Banks-Spain established a quorum was met per council bylaws (at least 11 PTA/PTSAs local unit council representatives). Guests were checked in by Vice President, Evelyn Shelton.

13 schools were represented (*Anderson-Livsey, Arcado Elementary, Brookwood Elementary, Brookwood High, Centerville Elementary, Craig Elementary, Meadowcreek High, Mountain Park Elementary, Shiloh Elementary, Shiloh Middle, Shiloh High, Crews Middle, Meadowcreek Elementary, Gwinnett Count Superintendent's Office-Bernie Kirkland*)

Call to Order

Area 1 Council President, Wytaria Henley, acknowledged a quorum was met. He served as the MC for the night. The 2016-2017 Executive Board members were recognized: Angela Banks-Spain (Treasurer), Evelyn Shelton (Vice President), Wytaria Henley (President) and Shantelle Grace (Reflections Chair). Wytaria thanked Principal Dollar for hosting the dinner at Shiloh High School.

Welcome

Berney Kirkland (Gwinnett County Schools Superintendent Office) and Dr. Danyel Dollard (Principal, Shiloh High School) presented a warm welcome to all of the PTA leaders and Principals in attendance.

Presentation of Colors/Pledge

Shiloh High School JROTC performed the presentation of colors. The audience collectively recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Words of Inspiration

Kyle Klerk, Mountain Park Elementary student was unable to attend due to scheduling conflicts and physical therapy. He was the GA PTA literature winner for Reflections. Shantelle Grace, Reflections Chair, gave a brief overview on the history of Kyle (shy, cancer survivor) that soared with his literature interpretation. His presentation during exhibition left the audience in awe and tears.

Dinner Served

To be conservative of time, dinner was served. Smokin Butts Barbecue was acknowledged for their culinary skills.

Introduction of Special Guests

Special guests were recognized for taking time out of their schedule to attend our end of the year Volunteer dinner. Acknowledgement was given to the following:

Superintendent's Office: Bernie Kirkland
GA PTA, District 12: Fonda Hedgepeth, Vice President and Taiwannika Walker (Treasurer)
Principals: All local units
Scholarship Recipients: Elliot Hudson, Farrah Bowman (Shiloh High School), Paul Thomas, Rockford Watkins (Brookwood High School)

OLD BUSINESS

Secretary Report

The secretary report was sent electronically prior to meeting, uploaded to PTA website and shown via slide show. Meeting highlights from 01/01/17 General meeting at Britt Elementary School were read. A motion to approve minutes-second received-passed.

Treasurer Report

The current treasurer report was distributed. An itemized list was read by the Treasurer. It captured financial transactions for the period of January 10, 2017-May 2, 2017.

Current Balance (on hand): \$9,745.78
Expenses: \$ 5,728.13
Income: \$ 9,000
Approved Budget: \$16,710.04

Committee Reports

Reflections Program: Reflections Chair, Shantelle Grace, gave an update on the Area 1 Reflections Exhibit that took place at Parkview High School. Entries moved on to the State of Georgia Exhibition. For a complete breakdown of Placement Report, please visit our website at www.area1gwinnnettpa.org. Visual arts and photography entries that did not move to State are on exhibit at Snellville City Hall. The address is 2342 Oak Road SW Snellville, GA 30078. 16 students were recognized and one that is going on to Nationals (Kyle Klerk).

NEW BUSINESS

District 12 Awards: Fonda Hedgepeth presented awards in the absence of Ms. Dee Dee Jackson. The Powerpoint slide show listed local unit winners.

Area 1 PTA Awards: Wytaria Henley presented the 2016-2017 awards to deserving local units and individuals. Schools that were in good standing were eligible.

The awards were as follows:

Local Unit Awards Total: 27

Award of Distinction: Rosebud Elementary PTA

Principal of the Year: Dr. Tommy Welch, Meadowcreek High School

Volunteer of the Year: **Lori Vait**, Five Forks Middle School PTSA
Volunteer of the Year: **Wytaria Henley**, Area 1 & District 12 leadership (surprise!)
Scholarship: **Elliot James Hudson** of Shiloh High School plans to attend Georgia Institute of Technology/GA Tech (GPA 3.940)
Farrah Bowman of Shiloh High School plans to attend Auburn University (GPA 3.788)
Paul R Thomas of Brookwood High School plans to attend Purdue University (GPA 3.70)
Rockford Evan Watkins of Brookwood High School plans to attend University of Georgia (GPA 3.479)

Kudos and congratulations to all on a job well done. PowerPoint slides of nominations/slide were shared electronically with local units.

Nominating Committee Report

Shantelle Grace reported that zero nominations were submitted. The committee consisted of 3 local unit members. All positions are open for nominations from the floor.

Nomination/Election of Officers

District 12 facilitated elections from the floor. They were:

President: No nominations
Vice President: Carlatta Anderson, Rosebud Elementary
Treasurer: Shantelle Grace, Reflections Chair
Secretary: No nominations

All candidates accepted their nominations from the floor. Voting and swearing-in of 2017-2019 positions were motioned, approved and passed.

2017-2019 Newly Elected Officers:

President: Wytaria Henley (remains in position of record)
Vice President: Carlatta Anderson
Treasurer: Shantelle Grace
Secretary: open position
Parliamentarian: Appointed by President

Dates to Remember

August 4-5, 2017 CLT Conference, GA Tech hotel & convention enter.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm. Minutes prepared by Angela Banks-Spain.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wytaria Henley, President-Print Name

Angela Banks-Spain, Treasurer-Print Name

Signature & Date

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