

AREA 1 GWINNETT COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE PTA



MEETING MINUTES

Area 1 Gwinnett County Council Winter Meeting

Tuesday, January 23, 2018, 6:00 PM

Britt Elementary, 2503 Skyland Dr. SW, Snellville, GA 30078

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:21 PM by Wytaria Henley, acting President for Area 1 council. He acknowledged that the Quorum was met as Angela Banks-Spain walked into the meeting. He acknowledged Executive Board members that were in attendance: Shantelle Grace (Treasurer & Reflections Chair), and Taiwannika Walker (District 12 Secretary/Treasurer).

Welcome

Berney Kirkland (Gwinnett County Schools Superintendent Office) and Lawrence Williams (General Manager) Gravity Indoor Trampoline Park.

OLD BUSINESS

Secretary Report

The secretary report will be emailed after meeting/uploaded to the PTA website by Carlatta Anderson.

Treasurer Report

The current treasurer report was discussed by Shantelle Grace (Treasurer & Reflections Chair).

Current Balance:	(On Hand)	\$10,486.76		
Expenses:	(Budget)	\$4,740.00	(Variance)	\$3,333.35
Income:	(Budget)	\$12,200.00	(Variance)	\$7,700.00

Discussed who is in good standing, the old minutes, the state probation and the coat drive. PTA recognizes that we are in a better place and in good standing, but that we still have work to do. Money was set aside for the coat drive, but Carlatta Anderson (Vice President), not in attendance, received a lot of donations of coats, but ran into a problem. Per another PTA member in attendance to fix the problem all that needs to happen is to have every single coat washed and hung on a hanger, and buttoned or zipped up. This information will be passed on to Carlatta Anderson that headed up the coat drive.

Berney Kirkland discussed our local dues and how the PTA is in good standing and thanked the volunteers.

Committee Reports

Reflections Program: Reflections Chair, Shantelle Grace, gave an update on the Area 1 State Exhibition. There were 97 entries that represented Area 1 last year and we had 17 place at State level. There was:

1 Intermediate Winner

3 First Place Winners

5 Second Place Winners

3 Honorable Mentions

The State Exhibition will be held on March 18, 2018 from 2-4 PM at the Woodruff Arts Center located at 1280 Peachtree St NW, Atlanta GA 30309. The state will send out letters to the students to attend by the end of February. Invites will go out via email.

NEW BUSINESS

Wytaria Henley opened the floor for nominations to fill the vacant positions on the Executive Committee. He explained what the job duties entailed. The Executive board meets monthly. There are area meetings 3 times a year. The Executive Board supports the local units. The vacant positions are as follows: President, Vice President 2, and Secretary. Zero nominations were submitted. Positions remain open.

Shantelle Grace explained that she may need to see our audits from previous years. Everyone should keep records for 7 years. Everyone on the board is held accountable for your boards records.

Taiwannika Walker explained that an auditor doesn't have to be a CPA. Another local unit can look at your books. Do not spend more than \$175 for an audit. Advised to follow up with state office regarding dues. Sent a letter to the states

office regarding the error that was made regarding incorporation dues. Advised anyone who isn't dissolved to continue to pay dues.

Guest: Lawrence Williams, General Manager from Gravity Indoor Trampoline Park will open at the end of March. They are under construction. They will be located at 2135 East Main St., Suite 100B, Snellville GA 30078. There will be 7 attractions and it will have a parent lounge. They will do events, spirit night, and fundraisers. Please see jumpintogravity.com.

Scholarship Budget: It was suggested by Taiwannika Walker that we lower the scholarship budget, while others wanted to see a greater benefit to the kids by increasing the budget to \$750 instead of \$500. Since quorum was met we were able to vote on the proposed budget. A motion was made from the floor by Angela Banks-Spain with Shiloh Elementary to increase the budget to \$750. There was a second to that motion by Pam Frazier with Annistown Elementary. 12 in favor, and 4 opposed. Motion was granted. It was spoken that there need to be better advertising to get the scholarships to the kids that need them. It was suggested that we advertise on the website, get flyers or letter to the schools counselors and principles to the schools in good standing. Last year we had 4 kids to apply and 2 were from the same school.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM by Wytaria Henley Minutes prepared by Kenicia Lee