# Fuqua School PTSA Meeting Monday, May 9, 2022 North Street Press Club – 5:30PM

In Attendance: Teri Harris, Sarah Grant, Diane Stubbins, Shaunna Hunter, Breanne Hicks, Justin Hicks, Suzanne Davis, Chris Baird, Jennings Custis, Andrew Cook, Katlyn Cook, Audrey Sullivan

Call to Order: 5:49PM

**I. Minutes from Last Meeting:** Emailed and reviewed by all present. Motion made by Teri Harris to approve minutes but add reports by Chance, Dara and Custis in the minutes and seconded by Suzanne Davis

## II. President's Report - Sarah Grant:

Events to plan for next year: Mum sales, possibly discuss a Spring fundraiser (hanging baskets), Basket Bingo. Farmville Jaycees has reached out about sponsoring Live at Riverside. Discussion about being a lead sponsor and the benefits for advertising the school. Motion by Justin Hicks to split cost with Admissions, second by Andrew Cook.

#### III. Head of School Report - Chance Reynolds:

#### Beth Fore Softball Stadium Dedication:

On April 28<sup>th</sup>, we honored Coach Beth Fore in a way most deserving by naming our softball stadium, the Beth Fore Softball Stadium, during our pre-game ceremonies that afternoon before our contest with Brunswick Academy.

It was a wonderful evening and all who attended were very pleased with the program and the way in which we honored Beth Fore's legacy here as a beloved coach, mentor, and friend to so many of the young ladies who earned their education here "on the hill".

## **Award-Winning Band Performances:**

Our students traveled to Williamsburg to participate in the Music in the Parks Competition over the past month, where our Senior Band placed first in their class, Junior Band placed second, and the 6<sup>th</sup> grade Band placed first as well.

In addition, the Fuqua Music Department was awarded the very prestigious ""Esprit de Corps Award", which recognizes the participating organization that displays an exemplary attitude of positive support and outstanding personal behavior throughout the festival weekend. Personal integrity, quality character values, a desire for excellence, and a spirit of cooperation serve as the cornerstone qualities of the Esprit de Corps Award."

#### Falcon Fest Returns:

Our Falcon Fest Furniture Auction is slated to be held this Saturday, May 14th, at 10:00 AM in Gilmer Gym and we hope you are all planning to attend!

He also shared a list of upcoming end of the year events.

## IV. Treasurer's Report - Betty Ingram. Balance: \$3,414.33

## V. Division Head's Reports

#### a. Lower/Middle School - Dara Tucker:

The LS/MS finished ERB testing last week. The scores should be coming out before the last week of school and will go home in the summer packets. The kids really worked hard, and I appreciate everyone stepping up (including our specials/elective teachers and Mindy Osborn) to help make it as seamless as possible. A HUGE thank you to Lynne Lindsay for taking this on and planning, scheduling, and organizing the entire two weeks of testing.

Our annual BOGO Scholastic Book Fair has ended and was a huge hit. Most of the shelves were cleared of books which means home libraries will have some wonderful new additions. We do not make any profit from this book fair, but it's great to give our families the opportunity to buy one and get one free!

Will provide a reminder to my faculty at tomorrow's faculty meeting that ALL PTSA requests for items for the classroom or the division should come through me and not directly to you all. That way, I can see if I have the funds to help with that prior to them asking you. They just need a gentle reminder. ©

Lots of events are upcoming:

May 19- Seniors Retrace Steps at LS/MS

May 23-LS Field Day (rain date is May 24)

May 25-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation and Pool Party

May 26- MS Awards and 8th Grade Pool Party; Noon Dismissal for Students

May 27- MS Class Competition; Last Day of School; Noon Dismissal for Students/Faculty

June 3- Final Report Cards Posted

#### b. Upper School - Jennings Custis:

Prom was huge success despite the weather.

Teacher appreciation week was greatly appreciated.

AP testing is wrapping up. Signups this year for the tests surpassed previous years.

The Juniors and Seniors are scheduled for field trips to Williamsburg in the coming weeks.

Upper School awards scheduled for Thursday, May 19.

Baccalaureate speaker for this year will be Justin Hicks on Sunday, May 22 at 4p at Farmville Methodist Church. Graduation will be Friday, May 27. college signing day May 2. Class competition May 20.

## VI. Chairperson's Updates:

a. Appreciation- Breanne Hicks/ Shaunna Hunter: Teacher Appreciation week went well. Very

busy week.

- **b.** Assemblies Harriet Vincent: no report reach out and see if Harriet wants to continue running
- **c.** Athletics Justin Hicks/Tiffany Dempsey: Coach Baird joined the meeting to thank the PTSA for the generous donation for helping to re-finish the gym floor. Spring sports will be rapping up in the next week or two. Soccer has completed their season, softball and baseball will go to the playoffs.
- **d. Buildings & Grounds Kelly Atkinson/ Justin Hicks**: Kelly has agreed to stay on this committee and a huge thank you to the Girl Scouts and the Hicks for the butterfly garden
- e. Concessions Teri Harris: no report
- f. Fund Raising Suzanne Davis: Original works beginning of September 2022
- g. Special Projects Jessica Simmons: no report

**VII. New Business:** Mrs. Sullivan announced the winner for the Piedmont Water and Soil Conservation as Aurelia Midkiff. She was nominated and won out of 5 counties. Her piece will now head to the nationals.

Adjourned: 6:55p

Next Meeting: Monday, July 18, 2022 @ 5:30pm, US Library