

Fuqua School PTSA Meeting
July 18, 2022

Attendance: Suzanne Davis, Sarah Grant, Breanne Hicks, Justin Hicks, Diane Stubbins, Shaunna Hunter, Andrew Cook, Katlyn Cook

Call to Order: 5:35

- I. Minutes from May – no corrections. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Justin Hicks and seconded by Drew Cook
- II. Head of School and Division Head Reports – No report from Chance Reynolds or Dara Tucker. Diane Stubbins: new hires are setting up their classrooms: Michaela Toburen in Science, and Chelsea Moss will be teaching English, Theater, and Psychology. Shadra Reid will be part-time US Counselor, and Mary Quinn Ferguson is starting as Learning Specialist for all divisions. Class schedule/offering are coming together, classrooms are getting ready, Johnny Ellington worked in Art room to remove divider to make room more functional for Audrey Sullivan. Upper School check-in will be from 6-7, after Lower/Middle check-in 5:15-6 on August 10. Pre-K orientation is from 5:30-6:15 on August 9.
- III. Treasurer’s Report – \$2,731.97 is the current balance (little lower than what PTSA usually starts with, but several large projects at school were sponsored)
- IV. President’s Report: Had the First Fridays sponsorship event. Pretty good turnout. Undetermined if PTSA/Admissions will do it again, but is a good community event to participate in. Katie Manis is stepping down as Secretary, and Jessica Simmons is stepping down as Special Events Coordinator. Do not need to fill spots at this meeting.
 - a. There was a discussion of how to encourage PTSA and volunteerism. Ideas: incentivize volunteering with entries for a prize or a nice end of year social invite, include more PTSA items in daily announcements, post more on PTSA Facebook page including announcing meeting dates and opportunities for volunteering, have a welcome table at orientation and/or pool party with interest signups and a small gift card drawing (\$10-15 Starbucks) or a swag giveaway item (keychain – you are the key to our school). Suggestion to post more original content on PTSA Facebook and not re-posts of school’s content.
- V. Chairperson’s Updates
 - a. Appreciation Committee – send a Parent contact/info flyer, get updates to faculty/staff “favorite things” – possibly ready by August 10 faculty meeting with Heads of School
 - b. Assemblies – no report. Check with Chance/Dara about interest for lower school?
 - c. Athletics – floor in gym has been sanded and painted, now waiting for artist to come in for center court artwork. School is now “more in” with VCC and can participate in tournaments, but Fuqua is not a full member. This Thursday 7/21 sports physicals are being offered. First home football game is 9/2 (first game is 8/30). First volleyball game is 8/30 and another 9/1. There are several empty coaching positions.
 - d. Buildings & Grounds – growing grass on the baseball field infield. No projects pending right now
 - e. Concessions – plan to purchase start up supplies in August. Would be good to have a cleanup day before starting for season. Please think of ideas to encourage volunteering to work concessions. Football stands/bleachers are being moved down and there will be

a large open space between concession stand and bleachers. Borrow high top tables from Fuqua Catering for games, or purchase picnic tables?

- f. Fund Raising – Original Works ordering materials come in August 24, teachers will start coordinating art projects after August 29, need to ship to Original Works in October for items to be finished in December. Cookie dough fundraising proposal presented, including possible switch from Original Works to cookies
 - g. Special Events – Welcome Back Pool Party August 12, 6-9. Summer’s Shaved Ice will be there with shaved ice truck. Give students 1 ice ticket with admission? Offer light concessions and allow outside food
- VI. New Business – Katlyn Cook agreed to become Social Media Coordinator for the PTSA. An Instagram account will be created for Fuqua PTSA.
- a. Ideas for social media content posts: announcing upcoming meetings and special events, volunteer opportunities, sharing PTSA improvements and projects on school grounds, and PTSA initiatives such as monthly teacher appreciation and the clothes closet