

**COLUMBUS HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION  
MEETING MINUTES - JANUARY 16, 2019**

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Sabrina Petrella	Adrianna Javick	Jeannie Pompei	Nicole Kekesi
James Kozacheck	Cathy Gudotti	Kara Steele	Nicole Skwarek

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Secretary Report - last meetings minutes can be found on the CHAS website
3. Treasurer Report
4. School Staff Present - Mrs. Tiffany Moutis, Mr. Glen Kershner, Mrs. Stacy Cullari, Mrs. Hope, Mrs. Kelly Gamez, Mrs. Christina Lewis. Mrs. Hope presented CHAS with a check for 100% teacher participation.
5. Administrative Reports:

**Mrs. Moutis (Superintendent)**

- Thank you to the CHAS board and membership for all the work for the school
- 5 goals are being worked on by the administration which include a K-2 math goal, 1-6 reading, sensitivity awareness, a district policy and regulation manual, and a K reading and writing program.
- Communication: which includes the mobile app for the school where all aspects of the MTSD are in one place for both parents and students.
- Strategic Planning: includes digital flyers, clubs, streamlining communication, mentoring, peer schedules, and bridging JHES, MTES, and NB.
- Caring Crew: this group of students has come together to help make sandwiches for the Cathedral Kitchen, collect baby wipes, trail mix bags for the homeless, and are planning future endeavors.

**Mrs. Gamez (Supervisor of curriculum and instruction):**

- Thank you for all the donations to the school from CHAS
- A media center is being developed to include a podcaster which was partially funded by CHAS. The goal of the media center is to have both a weekend show and a morning show.
- Battle of the Books: will include 4<sup>th</sup> grade students in a class level competition that will then lead to a school level competition for them. There is the potential for this to grow into other grade levels.
- Libraries in both schools have been reorganized. There are updated books and titles as well as student input to what book types they would like to see.
- Summer Enrichment Program being developed and still in planning stages. Aim is for the month of July with weekly, half, or full sessions with teacher involvement.
- Ready Set Go: for incoming K students (by invite) to help get these students acclimated to JHES.

**Mrs. Cullari (JHES Principal)**

- K online registration has begun and in person registration will begin 1/20 and 1/21
- Teachers of the year: Mrs. Hart and Mrs. Phan
- 1/25 is bring your stuffed friend to school
- 2/14 is the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school celebration
- 2/6 is the next Green Team meeting at 4pm @ JHES

**Mr. Kershner (MTES Principal)**

- Reminder of Gardening Club Buy-A-Brick Program
- The bullying program continues with a peaceful bus program to roll out soon
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade safety patrol run by Mrs. Raywood and Ms. Place continues to have great student involvement.
- Teachers of the year: Mrs. Brophy and Mrs. Szymanski
- The gardening club completed an all season scarecrow
- Harvest of Hope food drive was a success
- 1/25 is bring your stuffed friend to school
- PARCC testing will begin after spring break (more info to follow)

Mrs. Christine Lewis (Supervisor of Special Services)

- Extended school year reviewed: July 1<sup>st</sup> to August 1<sup>st</sup> from 9-12
  - ESY determination will be made at the annual IED meeting by the IEP team in April, eligibility will be based on data collected on IEP goals and objectives
  - Parent surveys will be sent out in May by the state or accessed online to collect data on services provided
  - A transition program for 6<sup>th</sup> grade students to Middle School working with the NB and MTES CST will begin in February to provide a collaborate effort between teachers, staff, and students
  - Parent and teacher workshops are coming in the spring to focus on inclusion models and raising healthy children and understanding their special needs.
6. Executive Board Election: there are 3 open spots - please email Sabrina if you are interested
7. Events that need a chair for 2019-2020 (please consider helping to coordinate):
- Assemblies
  - Staff Welcome Back Luncheon
  - Johnson's Farm Weekend
  - Holiday Toy Drive
  - Hershey Park Discount Ticket Fundraiser
8. Future Meetings:
- February 20<sup>th</sup> planning session @ 8pm
  - March 20<sup>th</sup> planning session @ 8pm
  - April 17<sup>th</sup> planning session @ 8pm
  - May 15<sup>th</sup> general membership meeting @ 8pm with Board Election
  - June 12<sup>th</sup> planning session @ 8pm

#### Upcoming Events

- Ongoing Fundraisers: Box Tops and Amazon Smile
- R.A.P Anti Bullying and Respect Assembly: 1/25 JHES and MTES
- Sixth Grade Winter Party: 2/1 at MTES ([cguidotti@gmail.com](mailto:cguidotti@gmail.com); [lopezstephannie@yahoo.com](mailto:lopezstephannie@yahoo.com))
- Sweetheart Dance: 2/8 at MTES from 7-8:30 ([nikolelg@aol.com](mailto:nikolelg@aol.com); [jennifer.wolchok@gmail.com](mailto:jennifer.wolchok@gmail.com); [hmstryker@comcast.net](mailto:hmstryker@comcast.net))
- School Spirit Wear Sale: 2/4 - 3/22
- Spring raffle: 3/4 to 3/22 ([nmskwarek@yahoo.com](mailto:nmskwarek@yahoo.com))
- Blingo Bingo: 3/8 at MTES ([cguidotti@gmail.com](mailto:cguidotti@gmail.com); [lopezstephannie@yahoo.com](mailto:lopezstephannie@yahoo.com))
- Scholastic Book Fair MTES: Blast off 3/15; Class shopping 3/18-3/22 ([jleightonesq@gmail.com](mailto:jleightonesq@gmail.com))
- 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Performing Arts Show: 3/22 at MTES

Submitted by Nicole Kekesi (Recording Secretary)