

MCCPTA DELEGATES ASSEMBLY
February 25, 2020
Richard Montgomery High School Cafeteria

Meeting was called to order by Cynthia Simonson at 7:09 pm. Quorum was established and the Agenda was approved. The minutes from the January DA meeting were also approved. The agenda for the February 25, 2020 meeting were approved.

Announcements –

Beth Landau – Special Victims Unit of MoCo State Attorney’s Office spoke to the DA about Respect FEST – March 29, 2020 from 1 to 4 pm at the Wheaton Community Recreation Center. Designed to celebrate healthy relationships, teach about dating violence prevention and resources. Geared towards middle and high school students, parents, educators and youth serving providers. The video contest associated with Respect FEST extended to March 6, 2020. More information – <https://tinyurl.com/respectfest2020>

Boundary Analysis – Phase I findings scheduled to be released this week.

Math Madness will be the theme for the March MCCPTA Presents

The Equity and Accountability unit is coming to give an update to the DA on March 24, 2020.

Laura Mitchell - spoke about the Anti Vaping Symposium on March 28, 2020 at Johns Hopkins University, Montgomery County Campus from 10 am to 2 pm, presented by MCPS and the Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services. Also, the trailer that looks like a teenagers bedroom will be at the DA meeting on 3/24 and parents will have the opportunity to walk through it. If groups of schools want the trailer to come to their school or PTA event let Laura know.

Celebration of Excellence will be held on May 21, 2020, reception at 6 pm and dinner and program beginning at 7 pm.

At 7:20 pm Charisse Scott, representing the nominating committee, addressed the DA and explained that Cynthia Simonson has been nominated to the role of MCCPTA President. Cynthia gave a brief history of her experience at the local and county level. Charisse introduced Rodney Peele as the nominee to fill the VP of Educational Issues vacated by Cynthia. Rodney gave a brief description of his background at the local and county level focusing on educational issues. A vote was taken and both Cynthia and Rodney were elected by a majority of the delegates. Charisse made a pitch for Cluster Coordinators and AVPs, we need individuals to step into these vacant roles. Matt Swibel stated that the nominating committee would be presenting the full

slate for next year's board at the March DA meeting. If you would like to run from the floor you must let the committee know by April 14th, elections will be held on April 28, 2020.

Reminder – ALL locals need a nominating committee, the requirements are listed in your bylaws.

Byron Johns, Chair, NAACP Parents' Council, Black and Brown Coalition for Educational Equity and Excellence had to cancel at the last minute.

New Business began at 7:45 pm.

Laura Stewart – gave an overview of the education related bills in the Maryland State Legislature such as the Build to Learn Act and Blueprint for Maryland's Future Funding. There is a bill tracker and website links on Laura's slides which will be in the February 2020 DA materials folder.

Cynthia Simonson – Explained the reorganization at central office. She explained how the reorg is going to function, there will be two branches – Chief of Teaching, Learning and Schools and Chief of Communications, Engagement and Innovation. The organizational chart for FY 2021 is the in the February 2020 DA Materials Folder.

Old Business began at 8:23 pm.

The Candidate Forum will be on 3/30/20 from 6:30 pm to 9 pm at Carver. Responses to the questionnaire are due by March 9th, there will be a summary provided before the forum. Questions may be posted after the forum and sent to the candidates.

Officer Reports began at 8:30 pm.

All office reports are in the February 2020 DA Materials folder.

Rodney, VP Educational Issues, there are changes in the math pathways, need more on grade level classes and changes may be reflected in schedules for the fall.

Chair vacancies for next year are – Membership, ESOL, Diversity and Inclusion and Communications. Must have been on a local PTA board to be elected to the MCCPTA Board.

Committee Updates and Announcements began at 8:35 pm.

If you are not receiving e-list emails please see DA Secretary, Tammy Fox, and give her your contact information (dasecretary@mccpta.org) or email office@mccpta.org.

Wheaton Cluster made an announcement that the Parkland Quad Meeting is scheduled for March 3, 2020.

Carrie Paulson, Membership Chair – 14 local PTAs won the January Challenge. The tablecloth winner is Flora Singer ES. Please pay your MCPPTA dues!

Meeting was adjourned at 8:37 pm.

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