

Wednesday, May 18th, 2016

Allen Parent Council Meeting

5:30 - Welcome/Introductions/Principal's Report

- Attendees: Caitlin Rowe, Michele Barkoot, Elizabeth Peters, Alicia Carroll, Mike Solomon, Katie Hamilton, Noureen Vaid, Takeshia Banks

Principal's Report

- DTE School of the Year Award - nominated by Robin Bailey, head of Fine Arts for the district. Nominated for specials area, for incorporating cross curricular subjects, working as a team, and how the specials areas use art in the schools. Attended gala at Crisler Center. Next year we receive the ability to take kids to 4 different performances at UMS, and have a traveling artist come and talk to the students.
- Spring Teacher Grants - We still have approximately \$350. Anne Meade turned in a spring grant for a new paper cutting board, approximately \$150.

5:40 - Special Guest: Katie Hamilton, Physical Education

- Taught in Belleville for 6 years, 2 years in Ann Arbor
- Also teaches at WCC, part time faculty
- Monthly themes with different lessons
- Lower Elementary K - 2 - Fundamental motor skills, where the kids are in their personal space in relation to other kids. Basic sports skills, hand-eye coordination. More game play towards the end of the year. How to play fairly, without cheating or making up their own rules. Good sportsmanship and how to work as a group. Fitness unit - heart and muscle health.
- Upper Elementary 3-5 - cooperation learning, teamwork, team building. Sports skills at the beginning of the year. Sports skills, then follow up with game play. Game play for sports without specific skills. Sportsmanship, learning how to solve an argument or disagreement without yelling. Fitness unit - heart and muscle health. Fitness-gram testing.
- Field hockey and Lacrosse equipment just gained through grants.
- Like to give the kids as much exposure and as many options as possible, don't repeat lessons if possible.
- Big focus is sportsmanship and character development. Problem solving, teamwork, empathy. How we treat other people and how we behave ourselves.
- Want the kids to enjoy being active and find something they like to do.
- Focus on personal improvement, not comparing to someone else.
- Play to play, not always to win.

- **Field Day - June 15th**
- Run similar to last year. 2 sessions - morning 3-5th grade. Afternoon, Pre-K - 2nd.

- Gym America coming for younger kids, BEST (British Elite Soccer Training) running a session for the older kids.
- Need volunteers to work - can work a session during the time their child will be participating. 2-3 parents for a station, kids rotate through. Schedule and instructional packet will be sent out at the beginning of June. Send Ms. Hamilton an email if you want to volunteer.
- Some similar activities, some new activities.

6:10 - 2016-2017 Officer Vote and Swearing In

Michael Solomon moves to name the following as the board of Parent Council 2016 - 2017. Caitlin Rowe seconds. All in favor, no opposed, no abstain.

- Michele Barkoot: President
- Noureen Vaid: Vice President - pending confirmation of work schedule
- Elizabeth Peters: Treasurer
- Alicia Carroll: Deputy Treasurer
- Takeshia Banks: Secretary
- Caitlin Rowe: Immediate Past President

6:15 - Proposed Budget for 2016 - 2017

- Takes what we have in place and modifies line items to increase or decrease revenue and expenditures
- Michele Barkoot moves to approve the budget. Noureen Vaid seconds. All in favor, no opposed, no abstain.

6:30 - Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn - Elizabeth Peters

The next Parent Council meeting is Wednesday, June 8th, from 5:30-6:30 PM in the Allen Media Center. All are welcome. FREE childcare for school-aged children is provided.

June Events at Allen:

Date	Event	Time
June 2nd	Mobile Dentist	
June 6 th	School Improvement Team (SIT)	4:30 - 5:30 PM
June 8 th	Staff Meeting	4:00 - 5:00 PM

June 8 th	Parent Council Meeting. FREE childcare for school-aged children is provided.	5:30 - 6:30 PM
June 10 th	Country Fair!	6:00 - 8:00 PM
June 15 th	Field Day	9:00 - 3:30 PM
June 16 th	5 th Grade Celebration	9:00 - 11:30 AM
June 17 th	School's Out for the Summer!! Half Day	8:53 AM - 1:02 PM