



SC District 23 PTA President's Roundtable Meeting Minutes

January 12, 2016

Summerville High School

In Attendance

W. Baird, A. Tuten, J. Dawson, L. Mitchum, C. Gubler, T. Robinson, A. Pomtanky, M. Franko, C. LaRue, I. Murray, K. Davenport, A. Wickersham, C. Still, A. McKen, W. Kintner, A. Balarillo, R. Royal, N. Clingerman, J. Bendetti, S. Farrell, A. Yost, J. Farnsworth, T. Garcia, T. Nolan, B. Mitchum, L. Sanders, A. Wimberly, P. Raynor

The meeting was called to order by Cori Gubler (D23 PTA President) at 6:34pm.

Open Positions

Please see Loretta Mitchum if you would like to serve on the district board or nomination committee.

Good Standing

Local units would like to see a report monthly on who is in compliance and good standing with the PTA.

Reflections

Reflections set up 2/27 at 9 am FDHS. Awards 2/28 Elementary from 2-3 and middle and high from 4-5 need at least one rep per school at the awards. RSVP will be sent digital this year.

Treasurer Report

Mrs. Anna Tuten handed out financial report and a motion was made, seconded and passed to accept. Mrs. Tuten announced that Reflections dues are 78% paid, district-wide.

Guest Speaker – Tanya Robinson

Mrs. Robinson spoke about PTAs having a vision and the right components to have a great PTA. She announced that National PTA is sending one of their leaders on February 4, 2016 to speak at the Military Magnet School during a 2 hour seminar. She also reminded everyone about the annual PTA convention on April 15 & 16 at Goose Creek High School.

Guest Speaker – Justin Farnsworth

Mr. Farnsworth spoke about the differences of Single District Membership and Members at Large. The district is currently operating as Members at Large. The seven individuals are voted in by election not by where they live. Single District would be elected in by where they live determined by lines drawn by local and state government. Mr. Farnsworth is a proponent of an "At Large" board because all board members will work hard for every school and student in Dorchester District Two. Single Member will have each board member represent only the schools in their elected area.

Berkeley and Charleston County schools are Single member districts. This causes political battles among board members. The DD2 school board operates better than surrounding school boards as Members at Large. There is a bill being sent through the house now and if it passes it will change how DD2 operates. In years to come it will destroy the good things that the board has built.

He also noted that this needs to be publicized most of the members didn't know this was going on. Mrs. Gubler commented this is something to be sent back to your local units.

Guest Speaker – Teresa Noland, CPA

Ms. Noland spoke about the importance of the role of the treasurer and their ways of handling reports. She advised to have a financial review done yearly. Mr. Noland gave a hand out of her fees and how she could help local units. Ms. Noland took questions from the floor.

State treasurer, David DuBose assisted with answering questions. Mr. DuBose noted that there was a legislative gathering in Columbia on Wednesday, January 13 at 11 am.

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:40 pm and passed unanimously.