

Toledo Early College TPSA Meeting

September 6, 2018

Nora Jaegly started meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Introduction of Executive Board

Nora introduced TPSA Executive Board for 2018-19

Secretary Position is open

- 1) Reviewed responsibilities of Secretary
- 2) Anyone interested in running should email tpsaexecutiveboard@gmail.com
- 3) Voting will happen at October meeting
- 4) Must be a member to run for position, and to vote

Nora reviewed TPSA Mission and Overview

Meetings are 1st Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

Membership is \$10/family/year

Will be able to do online memberships soon

Contact information for TPSA

tpsaexecutiveboard@gmail.com

www.tecparents.org

Treasurer's Report - Traci

Working on budget

Will need to pay for bonding again this year

Budget will be ready for vote by the membership at October meeting

Pancake Breakfast - Vonda

Pancake breakfast is a reward for the kids for working hard, and to end the semester on a good note

Volunteer will be need from 7 a.m. - noon on December 21

We will providing breakfast for approximately 425 people (students, teachers and staff)

Looking for people to help plan - there are volunteer hours available for being on the committee

Sign up for volunteers to work the breakfast will be posted as we get closer

Vonda has letters that can be used to start soliciting donations

Fundraising - Nora

We are looking for input from parents on what they want to do for fundraising. Ideas discussed:

- Chick Fil A
- Chipotle
- Panera
- Marcos
- Scholastic "Bookfair"
- Mud Hens/Walleye concessions
- Cash donations (link is still on the website) - can buy up to 3 service hours per year
- 50/50 Raffle - we can't do until we have had our 501(c)3 for 2 years
- Walleye Chuck a Puck

Where does our money go? Support programs/activities that benefit all grades, not just one grade

- Picnic
- Pancake breakfast
- Teacher appreciation
- Fees
- Misc

Other ideas for TSPA

Parents would like to see more people get involved

- Social event for parents to get to know each other
- Provides a network of support for parents

Car Pool sign up

- TTA developed an app that includes a carpool link

Speakers

- Agreed to have speakers again this year for last 15 minutes of meetings

Principal's News - Ms. Berman

School year started off very well

Expectations

- Jupiter: use it or email to communicate with teachers, talk to them before things get out of hand
- Ms. Berman's goal is 24 hour response on emails
- If need appt., please schedule a time

Impressed with work done by TPSA. This is a different school, they are here to make it the best school it can be

We are named Toledo Early College by design

- Started in 2004 as cooperation between UT, TPS, Bill Gates Foundation, Knowledge Works
- One of 20 early college high schools in Ohio, part of Early College Association
- Defined in Ohio law as an early college school
- Defines students and how the schools serves the students; have to support the students differently

Be sure to watch email - we send a lot of email.

- there is no PA system, trying to save paper, so email is best way to communicate
- Teachers and admin telling kids to check their emails when they have questions

Please don't check students grades every day. Once a week on Fridays is great

Volunteer info

- 10 hours/year/family mandated
- Goal is to get parents involved in school, community and spend some time with students
- JDRF - goal is to raise \$2,500
- Clean Your Streams
- Buddy Walk

There is a lot of stress for students

- in order to graduate from TEC, they MUST take college classes
- Putting adult stress on kids. Suggestions:
 - Be supportive
 - Explore passions outside of academics - sports, etc.
 - If you see undo stress, contact school
 - Always start with teacher for classroom issues. Other issues:
 - Discipline/attendance: Ms. Cole
 - Schedules/emotional issues: Ms. Oxner
 - Anything else: Ms. Berman

7th/8th grade trip - Ms. Coffey

Options

- Washington, DC approx. \$750 (different itinerary from last year, includes Gettysburg)
- Chicago approx. \$799

- New York City approx \$1,299

Prices are based on 30 people going

Mr. Nissen will send out survey to parents to see which they are interested in. Sample itineraries were distributed.

Trip will be in June 2019, after school is out

- \$100 deposit will be required
- Fundraisers will be held to help pay the rest
- World Strides also offers \$100 scholarships

Chaperones

- 1 free/15 paid
- Send 1 male/1 female teacher

Cost includes all food, so no need to send extra money

Bus trips

- DC - 8 hours
- Chicago - 5 hours
- NYC - 12 hours

Buddy Walk - Sandy

Sunday, October 21 at UT

Sign up on TEC website

Good opportunity to expose our kids to people with Down's Syndrome

Volunteers get Little Caesar's pizza

Down's Syndrome Association of NWO supports 450+ families

Games, inflatables, activities inside and outside

Upcoming Events - Mr. Nissen

UT President's BBQ - Sept. 13

- Trying to finalize transportation
- TARTA has taken over UT buses so trying to get everyone to Bancroft campus
- No need for a new permission slip - already signed one for UT trips

Grade level meetings

- Seniors - September 11

- Juniors - September 18
- Sophomores -
- Freshmen -

Jostens will be here September 13 from 5:30-6:30

JDRF walk coming up

Clean your Streams - September 22

- We are our own kick off site now
- 150 max - already filled up
- Trying to get some snacks/donations

Conferences - September 27-28

- No TEC classes
- Main campus has classes
- No cohort classes
- Advisory teachers will send more info

Homecoming - 1st week of October

- Parade and dance October 6
- Time for parade and game is flexible based on TV schedules
- Dance is for high school only, sponsored by jr. class
- Theme is same as UT's Homecoming theme "Circus"

Fall Break - October 11 - 14

Meeting ended 8:00 p.m.