



Attendees: Mary Gerkin, Beth Treichler, Katie Robak, Michelle Wilcox, Mr. Charlie Kyle, Amy Dillenburg, Tom Straiker, Tracy Stewart, Linda Perryman, Caela Obrecht, Jane Keene, Kim Parrine, Janice Mastropolo, Carie Sanders

Meeting Called to Order at: 6:00PM

September 2015 Minutes were approved.

School Reports

St. Charles East V.E.I Team: Team members were introduced to the PTO members and a presentation was given by the VEI group outlining tradeshow in San Diego, Tennessee and Great Lakes. The team has requested a \$1500 grant from the PTO for travel costs and materials for the shows.

Student Council Representative, Caela Obrecht: Student Council will be conducting a food drive on November 14th. In addition, they will again sponsor the Operation Holiday Cards along with The Angel Tree.

Teacher Liaisons, Tom Straiker & Tracy Stewart: A detailed report was presented regarding various happenings in each department at East.

Principal, Mr. Kyle: St. Charles East had 6 National Merit Finalists and 4 commended students this year.

Treasurer Report, Katie Robak: The current monthly PTO budget was presented along with the Post Prom Budget. The PTO checkbook balance is \$15,373.73 and the Post Prom balance is \$7,661.90. The Budget was approved.

Committee Reports

Grounds Beautification, Leigh Orchard: Phase 1 of the brick work by the gym doors has been approved and Andy is working out the details. Pots in the front did not last as well as they should have. The committee plans to re-do those this coming weekend with pumpkins. The committee is hoping these will last until Thanksgiving weekend and then greenery will be added to the pots.

STCE Directory/Registration/Membership, JoAnn Cassell: 444 people have registered with the PTO membership toolkit. 367 members have paid dues and registered. We have 170 volunteers. There are several individuals/families that have paid dues, but not registered with the membership toolkit. The committee believes that everyone who wants to be in the directory is in and it is complete. JoAnn included a few hand outs with information regarding emailing members, signing up volunteers for time slots and "solutions" for the membership toolkit.

Post Prom, Amy Dillenburg & Carie Sanders: The deposit has been given to the games company and also the green screen has been reserved.

Student Activities, Val Grohe & Dawn Senger: No report

Greater Education Foundation, Julie Strahl: No report

District PTO Representative, Mary Gerkin: A presentation was given by assistant principals from East and North regarding student opportunities at both high schools.

Senior Awards, Kathleen Dytrych: No report

Staff Appreciation, Jane Keene, Kim Parrine: Fall treats were given to the staff. The committee is looking for gift card donations for American Education Week.

Senior Signs, Laura Kennedy: Doran Scales will be our sponsor this year for the senior signs. A big thank you to the Podl family! The sign will also serve as an advertisement for their company. Doran Scales has agreed to be our sponsor for certain (not all) upcoming graduation years.



Senior Hand Print Wall, Sid & Mona Hasan: None

President's Report, Michelle Wilcox: We have received 8 grant requests. Mr. Kyle has agreed to provide funding for the Science Olympiad grant request along with the Tech Ed request for a 3-D printer. The pto will award grants to the following groups:

St. Charles East VEI: \$500.00

Music Department for lessons: \$350.00

Art Education for a Go Pro Camera: \$450.00

Bridges Group for new Keurig machine: \$150.00

Special Education to improve sensory room: \$250.00

Young Hearts for Life: \$500.00

The meeting was adjourned at: 6:58 PM

Respectfully submitted by
Mary Gerkin, STCE PTO Secretary
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