**Ardrey Kell PTSO Meeting**

**November 5, 2018**

**Present:** Angel Canafax, Kristina Morgan, Kim Mayfield, Lisa O’Neil, Chris Bucher, Megan Caplice, David Switzer, Sue Lloyd, Tori Collins, Suzanne Bereis, Angela Kennedy, Dianne Bethea, Meredith Rothschild-Ely, Gayle J. Bly-Biggs

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 by Angel Canafax. A motion to approve the October 2018 minutes was raised by Tori Collins, Chris Bucher seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

**Assistant Principal’s Report** – Kristina Morgan / David Switzer

Mrs. Morgan extended the staff’s appreciation for the hospitality group for providing snacks for the monthly staff meeting; she thanked the PTSO for paying for the Oriental Trading materials used for Friends Club. She also thanked the PTSO for help with the financial obligations, as the AKHS Financial Secretary is out until January.

Cold & flu season is upon us, Mrs. Morgan shared that the nurse’s station needs the following items:

* Hand sanitizer
* Tissues
* Feminine sanitary napkins (no tampons)
* Water
* Snacks for diabetics

The JROTC program needs a female chaperone for a trip to Parris Island, SC for November 13th – 16th. Contact First Sergeant Barksdale if interested at: **james.barksdale@cms.k12.nc.us**.

We briefly discussed the Sweets with Switzer meeting that recently took place; there was a significant turnout following the concern around the Butler HS shooting.

**Upcoming Dates:**

**Pre-ACT** – Thursday, November 8th for 10th grade students only

**Report Cards Distributed** – Friday, November 9th

**Veteran’s Day Holiday** – Monday, November 12th – NO SCHOOL

**NHS Inductions** – Wednesday, November 14th (6:00 pm in the Auditorium)

**11th Grade Parent Night** – Thursday, November 15th (6:00 pm in the Auditorium)

**Late Arrival Fundraiser** – Friday, November 16th (**volunteers needed**) see **Capital Campaign** below for details

**Thanksgiving Holiday Observed** – November 21-23 NO SCHOOL

**Faculty Mtg**. – Wednesday, November 28th (2:30 in the Media Ctr. No hospitality provisions)

**Early Release Day** – Wednesday, December 5 (students dismissed at 11:15)

**Staff Holiday Party** – Monday, December 17th

**Graduation** – Saturday, June 8th @ 4:00 pm

**President’s Report** – Angel Canafax

The PTSO bought gift cards and neutral colored backpacks; the athletic boosters bought sweatshirts and t-shirts for the FALL program. This program will assist 10 lower-income students.

**The next meeting will be held December 10th, 6:00 in the Media Center.**

**Committees**

**Communications** – Megan Caplice

After following up with Rebekah Jackum, regarding the incomplete info surrounding school clubs, it was determined that the student-run club websites will continue to be managed by the students, with no outside interference. It was suggested that club info be included in *Knightly News*, however, irregularity of club meetings makes that opportunity difficult. Perhaps including club contact info will suffice.

Surveys are given to students regarding how safe they feel in class; the next one will be offered after the Thanksgiving holiday.

Including copies of the *Navigation Guide* at the Sweets with Switzer meetings was requested. Megan Caplice and/or Angel Canafax will give copies to Mrs. Morgan for the next meeting.

**Fundraising**  – #AKPTSOrai$ingdough

Checks totaling $626 were provided for deposit.

**Hospitality** – Tori Collins

Grab & Go will be provided for this Wednesday’s staff meeting; the Hospitality Committee is getting geared up for December’s staff Holiday party.

**SLT**

Going forward, there will be no additional cell phone utilization rewards. A mini-camp will be provided for seniors to help with college applications, testing, interviews, etc. Mrs. Morgan stated that the school is also reviewing options for students to learn how to interview, fill out job applications, etc.

Creating a parent-student directory was discussed, it was decided that privacy and legal reasons would not permit creating and sharing this information.

**Website**

A link to the *Navigation Guide* is now available on the AKHS website.

Lisa O’Neil will provide PTSO meeting minutes to Angel within 2-3 days following each meeting so that they can be published on the AKHS website.

**Student Pictures**

Retakes went well, it was noted that proofs can be viewed online, Dr. Burnette usually distributes the code necessary for viewing.

**Capital Campaign**

The stream of funds coming in has slowed down. The Sales Tax Refund has been filed, $500.13 will be coming back to the school. The Connect-Ed info is almost ready to share, Angel is resending to Megan to add fundraising ideas. Ideas to raise more necessary funds include:

* Send out a “congrats, we’re almost there” letter reminding parents that we are still short of our financial goal.
* Student late arrival = donate to Capital Campaign funds. (set for November 16th see below)
* Teacher appreciation donations

Friday, November 16th will be a “late arrival” fundraiser. On this day, students are encouraged to bring cash donations to school for the school’s Capital Campaign fundraising efforts. Providing cash will excuse students from being late to school; students should arrive at school no later than 15 minutes after classes have begun. Students using the bus system, are unable to join in these efforts, perhaps a treat for those who arrive at school on-time and still bring a cash donation. Volunteers will be needed to collect cash from late arriving students, cash received will be used to offset cost of the morning traffic directing officers.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:42.