

Cougar Council Meeting Minutes December 8, 2009 General Board Meeting

The General Board Meeting of the Cougar Council PTSO of Central Academy High School was called to order by President Treva Shaffer at 7pm on Tuesday December 8, 2009, in the Media Center.

The Secretary's Report was reviewed and accepted with corrections, following a motion from Deb Watts, a second from Bertha Helms and unanimous vote from the board members present.

The Treasurer's Report was compiled by Adam Dailey and distributed, Rod Miller made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, the motion was carried following a Second by Deb Watts, and unanimous vote from the board members present. As a note, the 501(c)-3 paperwork to validate CATA Cougar Council as a non-profit entity has been sent to IRS.

Mr. Miller requested that the Cougar Council establish "three crucial needs" - three things that we don't want CATA to do without – for the purpose of reporting back to UCPS. Because of a shortfall in the state budget and anticipated expenditures of 15% LESS in the coming year, Mr. Miller wanted to address the three crucial needs of CATA. The board determined that those needs might be

- 1) Keep our identity as a Magnet School with the current Academies (with the exception of Allied Health which is being moved to Forest Hills and Monroe)
- 2) Keep the Academic Probation Agreement in place. (so that students must meet a certain criteria in order to remain students at CATA)
- 3) Up-to-date technology and supplies and not to LOSE any technology due to licensing costs.

Mr. Miller also discussed the campus improvements that have been applied for: walkway for students from parking lot, renumbering the maze logically, seveling of softball field to make it Title IX compliant, four tennis courts, recycling the asphalt near Transportation Systems for drainage, storage for Performing Arts and Transportation Systems. He mentioned that the Campus Kids restructure has been completed, and that 26% of our students receive free or reduced lunch.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fund Raising Committee – no report.

Senior Committee: no report.

Beautification Committee: no report.

Hospitality Committee – Christa Dailey reported that the donations for the CATA family in need during Thanksgiving was a huge success. Pre-Engineering won the canned food drive, with 85% participating. Kathy Jackson is still making plans for the teacher Luncheon for December 18, possibly being catered by Chili's.

Treva Shaffer mentioned that members of Cougar Council who would like to make donations for the Christmas Bureau Family for Christmas should bring those items in by Friday. The Travel Club is traveling to other schools to recruit new members. Another Renaissance Rally will be held soon to give academic awards via "cards with benefits" to those students who maintain a certain GPA and behavior and attendance standards.

Deb Watts made a motion that we adjourn our meeting, which passed unanimously after a Second by virtually every other member in attendance; therefore, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

Next Meeting Tuesday January 12, Media Center 7pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teresa Edwards, PTSO Secretary