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Monday, March 12, 2018
Parent Leadership Team Meeting Notes (6:30pm-7:30pm)
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**Agenda**

- **Attendance**
  - Tara Bennett
  - Michelle Brock
  - Jennifer Brownlee
  - Cheryl Cambron
  - Tracie Clifford
  - Jim David
  - Tony Donen
  - Julie Gersch
  - Octavia Johnson White
  - Deacon Murphy
  - Veronika Murphy
  - Bryan Sweetin

- **Welcome Co-Facilitators Karry Koppully and Bryan Sweetin**
  - PLT Facilitator Bryan Sweetin opened the meeting at 6:35pm and welcomed the parents attending the meeting. Karry was sick and unable to attend.

- **Committee Updates**
  - **Silent Auction – Tara Bennett**
    
    No updates. Will pick date for next STEM Showcase by end of school year to assist with collecting auction items and scheduling with Chattanooga State.

    Please contact Tara if you are interested in assisting on the Silent Auction Committee. [aggiebennetts@gmail.com](mailto:aggiebennetts@gmail.com)

  - **Staff Appreciation Committee: Nicki Murphy**
    
    The December 14 event went well even with late requests. Our STEM parents stepped up and had everything provided for the event. The next Staff Appreciation will be held the last week of March, before Spring Break. Look for the announcement in the future.

    Please contact Nicki if you are interested in assisting on the Staff Appreciation Committee. [veronikamurphy@gmail.com](mailto:veronikamurphy@gmail.com)

  - **STEM Jubilee Committee: Michelle Brock**
    
    Dr. Donen reported that Coolidge Park in secured and there are over 2500 elementary students signed up for the Jubilee. There will be a student led team on Jubilee logistics.
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They will work on booth placement and the 10th graders are working to have their CDM projects as booth activities. Mr. David is connecting the Creative Discovery Museum into the event.

Potentially the Hixson Recreation Center could be used as a rain date.

Food and drink are allowed for the STEM Jubilee at Coolidge Park. At this point we can do whatever we want regarding food and drink, having water, etc.. This will be decided by the STEM Jubilee Committee.

Banners need to be created; Public Education Foundation (PEF) is paying for the banners. Sponsorships need to be identified and collect their money. The fees for schools is paying for materials and booths. The STEM Jubilee Committee will be considering how to provide food and drink for our STEM students, STEM parents and sell waters to participating elementary kids. The STEM Jubilee Committee will be after PLT meeting.

Please contact Michelle if you are interested in assisting on the STEM Jubilee Committee. Mbrock1015@hotmail.com

- **Student Council Committee: Allison Deckman**

Beanies are ordered and will be delivered to students who purchased them.

STEM Mystery Jam has been postponed to an end of year event – new date: May 12. Deacon reported with Dr. Williamson commitments and competing activities (testing, Gala and other events) the STEM Mystery Jam will be postponed to Saturday, May 12, on a Saturday to be more of an end of year celebration. This will give Student Council more time to prepare and go all out.

Please contact Allison if you are interested in assisting on the on the Student Council Committee. allisonmd423@gmail.com or deckman@hcde.org

- **Volunteer Committee and Social Media Committee: Shaneka McDowell**

Not at the meeting. Brian reported he is seeing posts pop up now and then on the Facebook account.

Please contact Shaneka if you are interested in assisting on either committee. nekam28@gmail.com
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- **National Honor Society: Heather Maharrey**

  The first NHS Induction was held last week and was very successful. It included 10th, 11th, and 12th graders.

  Please contact Heather if you are interested in assisting on the National Honor Society Committee. heather.maharrey@gmail.com

- **New Business**

  Question: When it comes to the Gala does PLT have any activities or responsibilities? Student volunteer lets the PLT know what they need along with Dr. Donen. There is a Student Team for the Gala and graduation; they drive what they want. There is the Student Roast (Awards) at the beginning of the Gala that parents can attend and then parents leave after the roast.

  The Gala is at the Hunter Museum on April 14th from 8 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Senior Student Roast 7:00 p.m..

  General Future Needs: Determine new facilitators and any changes or updates to Committee Chairs. Committee Chairs run the committee, committee meet and information is disseminated to PLT and parents.

  New business reported by Bryan is the STEM Robotics Team at the National Competition in Huntsville at Von Braun Center this weekend! It is a good event to see non-athletic talent celebrated and encouraged. Teams come from all over the world to compete. All the STEM teachers will attend on Friday to cheer the teams on. This event is more about coopetition as stated by Bryan. The Saturn 5 Center, Rocket Center and exhibits are open just for competition participants.

**Meeting Adjourned 6:56 PM - Next PLT Meeting – Monday April 23, 2018 at 6:30PM**