

McNeil High School Project Graduation 2018

Meeting Date: May 15, 2017

Meeting Time: 7:00pm

Meeting Location: McNeil High School Lecture Hall

Attendees: Cathy Garcia, Mark Garcia, Kathy Lutz, Stephanie Guillory, Mary Ellen Yonker, Michael Bakonyi, Lisa Henke, Melissa Cruz, Kirsty Delahunt, Evelyn Salgado, Trish Hartle, Karen Evans, Pamela McFall, Sydney McCann

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm.

Introductions of attendees made.

Kathy Lutz led group with the main goal of establishing officers to be voted in by the Project Graduation Committee for 2017. Additionally, our goal is to establish chairs for all committees.

Officers:

President – Michael Bakonyi

Vice President - ?

Treasurer – Tracy Miller is considering

Secretary – Cathy Garcia

Communications/Web – Kathy Lutz

Committee Chairs:

Spirit Nights – Pam McFall, Evelyn Salgado, Trish Hartle

Pet Clinics – Pam McFall, Evelyn Salgado, Trish Hartle

Flower sales – Asking Diane Dobbs to consider position as she is familiar. Bonnie Walker also said in email to Kathy Lutz that she could help with this committee.

Flamingo Flocking – Mary Ellen Yonkers

Craft Fair – Melissa Cruz

Booster Club/PTA Liaison – Evelyn Salgado

Corporate Donations/Grants - ?

Business Sponsors - ?

Covert Ford Test Drive - ?

Savers/Easter Seals/Goodwill Donation Drive - ?

T-shirts – Stephanie Guillory and Kirsty Delahunt

Prizes – Sydney McCann, Holly Stewart, and Kristin Parker

Main Event Coordinator – Tiffany Davis and Tanya Vacula

Entertainment for PG night - ?

Senior slideshow - ?

Discussions regarding each committee:

*Some of the flamingos will need to be replaced. It is suggested that people pair up and everyone take a month to rotate the flocking. Question was asked by Trish if the flocking is done through the summer? Also suggested to having a “Flock It Forward” at a discounted rate. We have provided an anti-flocking insurance in years past but no one has ever purchased it.

*We are looking to have a spirit night once a month.

*Pet Clinics will be once in the fall and one in the spring.

*Craft Fair is simply organizing vendors and facilities. No expense on our part. Recruit students to help with set up. Vendors pay a fee to have a booth.

*Liaison for booster club and PTA has a letter already written, it just needs to be sent out to all schools and booster clubs.

*We are on the books with Covert to do the test drive as the 2017 committee already put it down for us. We do not know a date as of yet. It is set by Covert. Mary Ellen said the only bad thing was it was scheduled for a Saturday this past year so not a lot of activity on the campus. It was suggested that maybe we could coordinate other events be scheduled for the same date as the test drive to get more people to the campus. Like have a pet clinic the same day. We could “pet sit” for the owner while they test drove a car. Also could have a donation day, so people could bring their donations for Goodwill/Easter Seals/Savers and then test drive a car.

*Mary Ellen said she received an email from Savers that they will do a donation drive at the campus. We make money by filling bins which are then weighed and we make money based on the weight. Just need volunteers to work, no expense for us.

*T-shirt committee will design a t-shirt for the parents of seniors. It is suggested instead of making and giving away a t-shirt to the students on graduation night, we should make a senior t-shirt to sell to the students at the beginning of the school year. Both parent and student t-shirts could be sold at the Spirit Spectacular night.

*Entertainment for grad night refers to outside entertainment being brought to Main Event. For example we had a hypnotist and casino tables brought in for class of 2016. Both were a huge hit with the students. One class year they had caricature artist.

General Discussions:

*Main Event has been scheduled already, thanks for Anita Frey. She put us down for May 23-26th, Wednesday through Saturday. The event will start at 12:15am. They provide staff that are great at helping cover all the areas (for safety reasons as well). They also provide security. Students will not be allowed to bring anything in, only their student ID.

*There is an operating budget of around \$40,000. The previous class is required to leave a balance to start the new year. As of right now, they are planning on leaving us \$8,000-9,000.

*There is a current project graduation website that we will take over once 2017 is completed.

*Whatever fundraisers we want to do, we must get them turned in asap to Debi Caso. Fundraisers are on a first come basis. We need to have one liaison from project graduation to work with Debi Caso.

*It was discussed and determined that we will have regular meetings during the school year on the second Monday of each month at 7:00pm.

For the summer we will not have a meeting in June but will have a meeting on July 17th at 7:00pm location to be determined.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55