Blake PTO Meeting Minutes January 24, 2020

Attendees:

Blake Middle School:

- Nat Vaughn, Principal
- Orla Berry, Head of Science Department

PTO Board

- Co-President: Jeannette Hasapidis
- Treasurer: Elizabeth Behrman
- Secretary: Melissa Clancy

Principal's Report

Nat Vaughn

- Checking in with the 7th and 8th graders about the upcoming dance
- Getting feedback from kids about how they feel about advisory time
- The next half day kids are doing career day
- Volleyball tournament is coming up soon
- We would like to propose a line item for professional development in the budget at Nat's discretionary

President's Report:

- Provided update from last Town wide PTO meeting
- MCPE will no longer come to our meeting, but welcome people to come to their meetings
- The Annual Appeal will happen in February; this is the Blake PTO fundraising event
 - Jeannette will coordinate the creation, printing and mailing of the flyer and printing and posting of the advertisement posters
 - Will keep the donation ask per child the same as last year
- We need to start looking for a co-president for 2020-2021

Vice President's Report

- The holiday lunching was a success
- All set for volunteers for the Feb. 4th career day breakfast

Treasurer's Report

- Elizabeth shared the budget update
- With PTO donations down, may need to te-visit the bimonthly motivational staff breakfast to possibly every three weeks or monthly in 2020-2021 school year. Will be looked at following the Blake Appeal effort during the budget process for next year.

Jeannette Hasapidis

Elizabeth Behrman

Jeannette for Heidi Lusby

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Secretary's Report

Melissa Clancy

• Approved October Minutes

Funding Requests

New Grants Discussed at the Meeting:

- Approved Support for Science Teacher attendance at Boston conference in April
- Approved the Mykee Fowlin Student Presentation (one man show)
- Approved grant for book shelves for World Language books
- Approved Indoor activity supplies for new advisory teachers

Future Meetings:

• 2020: March 11th, May 14th

Meeting Adjourned.