

# Sherwood High School PTSA

## General Membership Meeting Minutes

September 17, 2013

7:15 Media Center

Called to order 7:15 p.m.

**Programs:** Aileen Woolley, SHS Social Studies teacher, introduced and invited parents to join Character Initiative Committee.

Steve Chaikin, Montgomery County State's Attorney's Office made a presentation on Cyberbullying and Internet Safety. Some topics covered included:

- What cyber bullying is
- Prevention
- How cyber predators obtain and utilize information
- The law
- Reporting abuse

**Treasurer's Report:** Melody Bell, Treasurer, presented the Financial Report and copies were distributed. Total assets balance at \$19,339.46. The budget was modified to include a \$500.00 increase to the Staff Gifts line item. Modification and total budget motion carried by unanimous approval.

**President's Report:** PTSA President, Sharon St. Pierre, encouraged growth in membership by communicating PTSA involvement in and benefits to Sherwood High School, such as:

- Informational programs
- scholarships
- Clubs
- Graduation buses

Sharon reported that the following positions are open:

Volunteer Coordinator  
MCCPTA Delegate(s) – up to two individuals  
After Prom Coordinator

Committee Chairs were introduced:

Suzanne Tom – Hospitality Chair  
Amy Matathias –

**Vice President's Report:** Vice President, Sharon Agranov, reported that there have been 64 respondents to the Programming Survey. The majority of respondents indicated interest in a college prep night. This is tentatively planned for the November meeting.

**Principal's Report:** SHS Principal, Mr. Gregory, introduced James Allrich as the new Assistant Principal and Principal Intern. Mr. Allrich will be shadowing Mr. Gregory and will take over as principal from January 2, 2014 through February 15, 2014. Mr. Gregory will be on call in case of emergency. The principal introduced elements of the School Improvement Plan (SIP), which includes student engagement, common core, curriculum 2.0, and literacy. He also noted that there have been staff changes at the county level which currently eliminates the cluster schools model. The principals in the "Sherwood Cluster" have come together to continue meeting on their own. Mr. Gregory reported that Sherwood High School was approved for Project Lead the Way, which is a national engineering program.

School year 2013-2014 dates to be aware of:

- Back to School Night is Thursday, September 19, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.
- Open House is October 14, 2013
- Prom, April 26, 2014, Baltimore Aquarium
- Graduation Monday, June 9, 2014, 2:30 p.m., DAR

Meeting adjourned 9:00 p.m.

Robin Zedaker

