

PLC of MDCPS PTA

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2010
MEETING

Call to Order: The meeting of the PLC of MDCPS PTA was held in the School Board Administration Building Auditorium, Miami, FL 33132 on September 20, 2010. The meeting was called order at 6:20 pm.

Quorum: A quorum was established.

Minutes:

Dr. Elias-Miranda welcomed everyone. Corina Esquijarosa, President, welcomed everyone and introduced the other officers: Erica Bouza, Vice President; Jordan Levin, Vice President; Tiara Cottle, Treasurer; and Karon Coleman, Secretary.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of the May 13, 2010 were moved by Ms. Coleman and seconded by Mr. Bouza and approved by unanimous vote of the members present.

Ms. Cottle gave the financial report. The PTA's account had a balance of \$1,087.56 with outstanding obligation to Papa John's for pizza for an actual balance of \$313.15. The audit for last year's budget was pending. Mr. Bouza moved for acceptance of the financial report and it was seconded by Ms. Levin.

Ms. Esquijarosa gave a report of the following matters of interest:

1. The committees need help and are in need of volunteers.
2. The PTA has a survey to learn of members interests and goals. She encouraged everyone to fill it out and return it to the PTA box in the PLC Administration Office.
3. The PTA was looking for volunteers to help with the pizza sales. Payments for pizza could also be placed in the PTA box.
4. The PTA needed a volunteer to coordinate the Box Tops.
5. Literature Parade was coming up in October and parents are requested to bring in candy (peanut free) for the event.

Ms. Esquijarosa indicated that full membership would be represented by 89 students and right now the PTA has 54% enrollment. She indicated that increased membership was one of the PTA's goals.

She welcomed all ideas from the membership.

Ms. Levin discussed the Arts for Learning program that would begin in October 2010 and her efforts she to bring a dance class to PLC as well. She introduced a representative from the Arts for Learning Program who shared some history of the program and the activities planned for the PLC: musical theater in the fall; and visual arts in the spring. The skills to be fostered in the children were creativity, critical thinking and team building.

The meeting was opened for good and welfare and several questions were fielded from the members and several ideas were suggested for ways to raise money (\$1 for dress down day or jeans day for example).

Dr. Elias-Miranda updated the membership on a donation of 500 books as part of the Literature Parade event and that the EESAC was looking for a patient representative. She introduced some of the PLC staff: Dr. Riestra-Quintero; Ms. Lopez; Ms. Hernandez; Ms. Smith; Ms. Rosas; Ms. Marie; Ms. Duarte; Ms. Chantal; Mrs. Rosario; and Dr. Bosner. Dr. Elias-Miranda then introduced Superintendent and Principal Carvalho.

The Superintendent discussed the growth plans for the PLC. He hoped to keep expanding it, adding a grade each year and adding amenities such as a library and gym, expanded playground area. He would like to see 15th Terrace permanently closed and has some ideas about how to use the nearby parking lot for the good of the students.

The Superintendent fielded questions from the membership regarding the curriculum, tutoring for parents who don't speak spanish, improving the nutrition of the school food, siblings attending the school, etc. He thanked everyone for being part of the PLC and for attending the meeting.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Adopted by the PLC of MDCPS PTA membership on this ____ day of _____ 2011.

Corina Esquijarosa, President

Karon M. Coleman, Secretary

Approved as:

Presented:_____

Date:_____

or

Corrected:_____

Date:_____