

## **DeBakey HSHP PTO General Meeting**

**Tuesday February 13, 2018**

**Call to order: 6:00 p.m. DeBakey High School Cafeteria**

**ATTENDANCE: Board Members: Guest Speaker-Sue Deigaard, Trustee**

Martha Chica, Matt Konvicka, Meredith Bryant, Vincent Sanders, Kathryn Marrero, Dave McMillian, Rita Willoughby

### **Ms. Agnes Perry-Principal Report**

Accountability Summary Distinction Earned in all 7 areas

Discussed volunteer hours procedures for documentation (form is online)

Next school year Ms. Perry recommended school next year at 8am

Important Dates:

Field Day March 9<sup>th</sup> 8am-3:30pm

Spring Break March 12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>

Final Exams May 25<sup>th</sup> – June 1<sup>st</sup>

Memorial Day 28<sup>th</sup>

June 1<sup>st</sup> Last Day of School

Graduation June 2<sup>nd</sup> 10am TSU

Summer School June 6<sup>th</sup> – July 3<sup>rd</sup> (No Fridays) Algebra, Possible Geometry

### **Ms. Analisa Goudeau-Assistant Principal**

Discuss course selection requirements packet available passed handout tonight created by history teachers

### **Vincent Sanders Fundraising-**

Announced Chick-fi-A sales (March 2<sup>nd</sup>) first Friday of every month with Pre-Sale Feb 27<sup>th</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> – March 1<sup>st</sup>

### **Dave McMillian Treasurer Report-**

Discuss Field Day expenditures \$1900 paid by PTO Board

New IPAD for credit card new chip

Closing out PTA accounts we are now a PTO

### **Uniform Report by Martha Chica –**

Next uniform next sale Date: TBD

Will sell senior jackets to juniors and seniors

### **Matt Konvicka-President**

Announced all board positions are all open to all parents

Next PTO General Meeting March 20<sup>th</sup>

### **Sue Deigaard-Trustee District 5 (sworn in Jan 18<sup>th</sup>) Five out nine trustees are new**

Shared her views-Lived in Houston over 30years: Parent advocate. She has two kids who attend HSPVA & Pin Oak schools.

She invited all parents to attend HISD. HISD is the 7<sup>th</sup> largest school district & 7<sup>th</sup> largest city

Her two main priorities:

1) Students receive the education needed to succeed

2) Overall health of our schools and student body

Three Majors decisions to vote on:

1) Improvement to the school (Improvement Recovery) IR-5 schools maybe taken over by government

2) Budget cuts-district has a deficits what funds will be eliminated are uncertain-potential wealth tax values versus student population; recapture monies based on the prior year; asking to base recapture monies on earned funds; opposes teacher pay cut; HISD must vote on funding cuts prior to knowing all the specifics this creates a major challenge;

Present Administration plan:

- a) Voting issue- (a) will direct the school on all to spend their funds versus (b) allowing the principal to determine how to spend their school's funds Trustee Deigaard favors choice (b)
- 3) Magnet- reform is needed to determine the needs of the community

#### **Q&A**

Can we ask the government for more money? No

Teacher pay raise reversed? No

What happens to the schools that are in IR-5 causing us to shut down can we simply shut them down?

A performance audit for funding

No budget has been issued at this time for schools; equity of programs & preparation

Survey of why students attend specific schools

What is the likelihood of centralizing school budgets? New budget starts July 1<sup>st</sup>

What to do about this budget cut? Contact your trustee about this budget cuts in writing and by attending HISD Board meetings; make your complaints

Hierarchy-Board of Trustees oversees: Superintendent (Lead administrator) & Auditor

Meeting adjourned at \_\_\_\_\_

The next PTA General meeting will be on Tuesday, March 20, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the DeBakey High School Library.