



Project Graduation



McCallum High School, Austin, Texas

2015 Project GradKnight Parent Meeting

Location: McCallum HS

Meeting Minutes

March 30, 2015

Start: 7:12 PM

Adjourned: 8:01 PM

I. Agenda

- Attendance
- Previous meeting's minutes
- Finance Report-Lea
- Nomination Requests- Latha
- Reports by all EC Officers & active Committee Chairs
 - Programs- Eric
 - By-Laws Update- Eric
 - Fundraisers-D'Anne/Eric
 - GradKnight update-D'Anne
- Adjournment

II. Meeting Minutes

- Attendance

- Previous Meeting Minutes- presented and approved

III. Finance Report - Lea

- Seniors- \$8503.00
- Junior- 404.39
- Sophomores- 821.88
- Freshmen- 518.64
- Book Balance of \$10,248.45

For GradKnight, budget to spend \$26K, \$6K expected and \$9K in hand.



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IV. Programs - Eric

Eric went over previous parent education programs, including Watch UR BAC by Texas A&M Agrilife Extension

Shattered Dreams- All volunteer positions have been filled.

Timeline for the SD days discussed. Which grades will be involved at each stage and progress in all stages of planning
Overview:

-Mock Crash staged in front of Fine Arts building: Includes DOA and evacuation by chopper and by ambulance. Juniors and Seniors will watch.

-Walking Dead- 24 student volunteers with Grim Reaper and APD to inform kids in class. Each Walking Dead volunteer must write an obituary and return silently to class

-Lock-in at night -Student participants presented with programs and movies plus letter from their parent on how much "they miss them". Students respond with letter to parents about what they will do to prevent being involved in drunken driving accident.

-Mock funeral with speakers. Funeral should take about 1 ½ hours.

-For Next Year Student Education: University HS-) Educational environment for high school age adolescents that are recovering and require special environment to support recovery and complete high school credits. Open doors in Aug 2014 and is modeled after Archway Academy in Houston.

V. Fundraisers - D'Anne & Eric

Freshmen-1 in spring and 2 in fall (Whataburger and Berry Austin)

Sophomores- Football concessions

Juniors: Garage sale

Seniors:

Corporations/Companies- Recently mailed 100 letters to corporations requesting donations. Donations coming in.
Follow up needed

My Free Drink Card-free non-alcohol drinks at participating restaurants



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Restaurant gift cards: Fino, La Mancha, Eastside Café
Flamingo Flocking- Flock neighbors, classmates, etc.
Amazon Smile-% of eligible purchases donated to
organization. Has been even more successful than
expected

Applied for grant with Moody Foundation Grant to help cover
Shattered Dreams. Check received from Brown Distributing for
\$2500 to help with Shattered Dreams

Letter to Businesses needs to be in MacKnightly as well as in Back
to School folders for next year.

- **GradKnight-2015- D'Anne**

Needing to raise funds quickly. Start appeal to senior parents for
donations

VI. Nominating Committee - Latha

Introduction of Nominating Committee: Jennifer Smith, Trudy Richter
and Barbara Burnett

Appeal to all attending for nominees for Executive Committee positions
of V.P., Treasurer, Secretary and Parliamentarian. As well as for
possibilities for Program Chair and Fundraising Chair.

VII. By-Law Revisions- Eric

Eric discussed the By-Law revisions and reasoning behind them, to open
up the process to more parents, etc.

Said revisions are posted online and that voting would commence at the
April Parent meeting.

VIII. Adjournment: 8:09