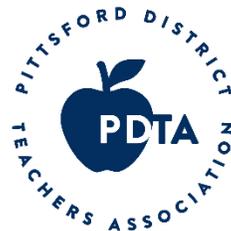


Executive Committee meeting May 5, 2020



Attendance:

Barge, S
Warchol, S
Shaw, J
Villareale, J

Drake, L
Ebert, S
Cerbone, D
Chesko, K

Spring, L
Mauger, L
Socker, K
Merffield, C

Dolan, K
Althouse, M
LaBarr, P
Pellegrino, D

Old Business:

- Extended school closure: closed buildings will remain closed until the end of the year. We will continue education remotely. The Districts focus is on continuing this year and moving into next year.
- ILC will be meeting this week. Main objectives of that meeting were sent out to the community.
- Treasurer: David will be communicating the following needs to RA:
 - PDTA budget advisory committee needs 2 additional volunteers
 - PDTA audit committee needs 2 additional volunteers
- PDTA Elections
 - We are grateful to our members who have either recommitted to a role previously held or have taken on a new role in service to of our union. Now, more than ever, their leadership is needed and appreciated. As no races were contested, no elections are necessary at this time.
 - We thank those who have served so faithfully in roles that will be filled by another member next school year. Your commitment to the Association and our members is extraordinary. We are strong because of your investment. Thank you
- Extracurricular Stipend compensation: Discussions are ongoing. Next meeting, scheduled for Thursday, will address this on behalf of our members. PDTA is going into the meeting with the belief that members deserve 100% of their stipends and the District will need to argue why an individual advisor should not receive that.
- PDTA money collection: PDTA has obtained a Tablet and are preparing for this remote option for collecting money from members.
- PDTA Day of Giving was a huge success. On behalf of the District and our community, we thank our members for their generosity. We raised \$13,555 for PEF.

New Business:

1. Upcoming budget / BOE vote PDTA
 - Governors Executive Order concerning elections and voting: altered how elections occur.

- waived application process for BOE—state that they are running.
- School districts must pay for postage to and return for every ballot. unfunded mandate for about \$55,000
- Will encourage people to vote because it is remote.
- No votes will skyrocket. Significant push to support budget.
- Budget is going to go at the Tax Cap. If we don't get the money, we are looking at cuts for next year.
- Endorsement process:
 - Proposal: Offer endorsement interviews to candidates who obtained an application prior to the original April 20th submission date AND have filed written interest to run with PCSD by Monday May 11th (the deadline established by PCSD to appear on related communications)

Executive Committee votes to move proposal forward to the RA.

- Phone banking: PDTA will begin preparations for remote phone banking for both budget and BOE elections.
 - Member signs: options for allowing members to get signs for their yards.
 - open office hours at the PDTA office
 - driving signs to members houses
2. The district is looking into different options for this event. If members were on track to receive tenure, this school closure will not affect that.
 3. Posting: All members considering posting or displaced should discuss this with their representative to assure they understand timelines and the process.
 4. Retirement / 20 year service party has been postponed
 2020-2021 Budget Concerns: As you hear in the news, the state budget is suffering due to COZVID-19 expenses as well as lost revenues. Further, local revenue is down as a result of losses from sales tax. The impact on the 2020-21 budget is yet unknown. The PDTA, along with NYSUT and AFT will continue to advocate for the funding needed for our schools at the local, state, and federal levels.
 5. School Calendar: PDTA is working with the district to calculate an end date for our work year.
 6. FSA Short Plan Year: At the request of PDTA, additional communication forthcoming from payroll to clarify the prior email that significantly alters the FSA process. All money designated at this time will be for a half-year period rather than the typical full year. Members must allocate accordingly taking into consideration when medical expenses are likely to be incurred.
 7. AP College Board released a communication that implies a need for teachers to perform summer work. Discussions have begun with our ASI to address these concerns on behalf of our members. How do they plan to fund that

8. Message to PDTA from BOE president: Amy Thomas

- On behalf of the BOE, a heartfelt message of gratitude as we enter Teacher Appreciation Week. Please know that each of your members is in our daily thoughts as we live through this unusual time together.

We recognize and appreciate your efforts to support our students from a distance. Your dedication and perseverance to provide our students with instruction under these unique circumstances is truly remarkable. In addition, we are humbled by your empathy, compassion and generosity for our families in need. You are ALL heroes!