



District 12 PTA Business Meeting
Date: September 26, 2015 – Fall Conference

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by District Director, Dee-Dee Jackson at 3:55pm, upon arrival of Georgia PTA President, Lisa-Marie Haygood. Conference attendees mingled with other local units, visited the vendor stations, and participated in Luau food and fun, until the start of the meeting.

Quorum was established with 19 schools in attendance.

Special Guests: Board Members, Neatie and William Green and President Lisa-Marie Haygood

- The Pledge of Allegiance was led by ShaMia Washington, 6th grade student at Summerour Middle School.
- The Inspiration, “You Can Do Anything You Want If You Believe,” was given by Elijah Jackson, 6th grade Homeschool student of Gwinnett County Public Schools.
- District 12 Secretary/Treasurer, Taiwannika Walker, read the minutes from the 2015 Spring Conference, which was held on May 11, 2015. LaShonna Washington made the motion to accept the minutes into the records of District 12. The motion was seconded and approved by the vote of the conference attendees.
- District 12 Secretary/Treasurer, Taiwannika Walker, read the proposed budget for the 2015-16 District 12 calendar.
 - The opening balance of \$391.22 will be transferred from Wells Fargo into a bank account at Regions Bank. District 12 was approved to receive \$1600 from Georgia PTA for 2015-16 programming.
 - The expected income is \$3591.22, including \$100 from each of the three Area Councils of the Gwinnett Council of PTAs.
 - The total projected expenses is \$2950, leaving a balance of \$641.22.
 - Georgia PTA State President, Lisa-Marie Haygood, made a suggestion to change the expected income of \$300 to be received from the three Area Councils of the Gwinnett Council of PTAs, from income to a donation, allowing the Area Councils to have a choice in contributing to the budget of District 12.
 - A motion was made by Shanaz Bano to accept the proposed budget with the suggested amendment to change the expected income of \$100 from the three Area Councils of Gwinnett Council of PTAs to a donation of \$100 from each of the three Area Councils of Gwinnett Council of PTAs. The motion was seconded and the budget was approved with the amendment, by the vote of the conference attendees.
- An information session was held for the conference attendees.
 - As the 2nd VP - Area III Council of Gwinnett Council of PTAs, District 12, and the Georgia PTA, Marina Staples provided a “Call to Action” and spoke on the importance of active membership campaigning. The theme for Georgia PTA for the 2015-17 term of President Lisa-Marie Haygood, is “Back to the Future” and all attendees were reminded to go back to the beginning of why they joined PTA



and know that there needs to be value added to the PTA membership in order to secure the future of Georgia PTA.

- Taiwannika Walker, District 12 Secretary/Treasurer gave a “Call to Service” for all PTA units to hold their treasurers accountable to making sure that PTA funds are handled appropriately. Conference attendees were encouraged by Georgia PTA Treasurer, Neattie Green, to purchase a small safe and drop box to ensure that PTA funds are not mishandled nor misplaced.
- Area I Council President, Wytaria Henley, presented a “Call to Participate” and encouraged all Local PTA units to participate in the 2015-16 Reflections Program. Acknowledgement was given to District 12, Area II Council of Gwinnett Council of PTAs student, Richard Hull Middle School, Haina Kim, 7th grader, for the 2015-16 winning Reflections theme, “Let Your Imagination Fly”.
- Representatives of the participating vendors had an opportunity to speak and present their fundraising opportunities to the conference attendees.
- District 12 Director, Dee-Dee Jackson, gave the closing remarks for the information session, and advised conference attendees that District 12 is working to unify the district. All questions or concerns should be addressed at the local unit first, then to the Area Councils, next the District, and then to the GA PTA state office. District 12 will have its website up and running, once funds have been secured and made available.
- District Director, Mrs. Jackson, introduced GA PTA President, Lisa-Marie Haygood, who provided the final updates and remarks for the conference.
 - President Haygood offered information on a “Breakfast in the Classroom” grant from the Wal-Mart Foundation and a partnership with VARAGE, for a fundraising opportunity for local units.
 - President Haygood also thanked District 12 and the three Area Councils of Gwinnett Council of PTAs for the training sessions that have been held.
 - President Haygood also mentioned that all training videos from the state training sessions are on Vimeo and are available via the GA PTA website. These videos are currently being translated in Spanish.

Meeting adjourned at 4:54pm.

Celebrating a Journey of Excellence –
Living our Mission, working to make dreams become reality,
for every child with one voice as ONE PTA!
