



MINUTES
FARRAGUT EDUCATION RELATIONS COMMITTEE
MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2021
4:00 PM

Members Present: Vice Mayor Louise Povlin, Mandy Kincaid, Mary Nussbaum, Wendy Stiles, Claudia Levi, Hannah Brennen

Members Absent: Beth Duncan

Staff Present: Trevor Hobbs

Guests: Michelle Hollenhead, farragutpress

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order; quorum present.

Approval of Minutes

Vice Mayor Louise Povlin made a motion to approve the November 9, 2020 minutes. Mandy Kincaid seconded the motion. Vice Mayor Louise Povlin, Chairperson Wendy Stiles, Vice Chairperson Mandy Kincaid, and Mary Nussbaum voted in favor; motion passed.

Love Kitchen Can Food Drive Discussion

Hannah Brennen provided the following updates for the Love Kitchen Can Food Drive:

- Can drive will be moved to February 22 through March 5, 2021
- Will be advertising the can food drive February 15-19, 2021
- Hoping that all the Farragut public schools will participate. President of the Student Government Association (SGA), Audrey Richards, emailed all principals
- Money can be donated instead of cans. Each dollar will be equal to two cans
- All cans must be turned in by 8:30am on March 5, 2021 so that the high school students can pick up the cans from each school

Hannah Brennen stated that the tradition at Farragut High School (FHS) is the winning class receives a Chick-Fil-A breakfast reward. Winning class is determined by the homeroom or first block class that has the highest number of cans turned in per student in the class. The breakfast reward for the winning class at the high school in previous years was funded by the FHS SGA.

Since the can food drive is expanded beyond FHS, Hannah Brennen asked if the Education Relations Committee (ERC) would be able to provide money for the breakfast reward for the winning classes at the Farragut Primary, Farragut Intermediate, and Farragut Middle schools. Vice Mayor Louise Povlin stated that currently the ERC does not have a budget but stated she would speak with the Town Administrator to see if

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there is money available in the Legislative section of the Town's budget that could be used for the reward breakfast for the other schools.

Hannah Brennen asked for input on the best way to reach the parents of the students at the primary, intermediate, and middle schools. Vice Chairperson Mandy Kincaid stated that the Farragut Primary School (FPS) Parent Teacher Association (PTA) could do a flyer and could ask Ms. Byrd, FPS principal, to include information in the morning announcements. Chairperson Wendy Stiles stated that as soon as the information is available, she can send it out to the Farragut Intermediate School teachers and PTA members.

Hannah Brennen stated that she would like to use Give Butter for online fundraising; however, since the FHS SGA bank account is linked to the FHS bank account, the SGA would not be able to sign up to use Give Butter. Hannah Brennen stated that if the FHS SGA could create a joint account under one of the existing PTA's Give Butter accounts that it could open up the giving even more for the can food drive. Vice Mayor Louise Povlin stated that she would speak with Mary Cook of the Farragut High School Education Foundation regarding Give Butter.

Claudia Levi stated that Give Butter would be good way for virtual students to participate in the can drive. Claudia Levi stated that as a virtual student she is not aware of what is being presented through the SGA announcements at school each day and recommended advertising the can food drive on Canvas as a better way to reach the high school virtual students.

2021 Town Events

Vice Mayor Louise Povlin shared the Town of Farragut events currently scheduled for 2021 but stated that the events calendar is subject to change.

Any Other Business

Vice Mayor Louise Povlin asked Chairperson Wendy Stiles and Vice Chairperson Mandy Kincaid if Farragut Primary School and Intermediate School have any plans for fundraising. Vice Chairperson Mandy Kincaid stated that the primary school fundraising is on hold right now during the COVID-19 pandemic. Chairperson Wendy Stiles stated that the intermediate school fundraising is on hold as well.

Mary Nussbaum stated that the high school is hoping to have the graduation celebration and baccalaureate for the students as planned. Graduation celebration is scheduled for May 15, graduation is scheduled for May 22, and baccalaureate is scheduled for May 9.

Public Comments

No public comments were submitted for the January 11, 2021 Farragut Education Relations Committee meeting.

Meeting adjourned