

St. Charles North High School  
255 Red Gate Road  
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ST. CHARLES NORTH PTO MINUTES  
JANUARY 6, 2016

In Attendance:

Ellen Salyards, Co-President  
Jane Harland, Co-President  
Steph Porteous, Vice-President  
Marisol Acevedo, Co-Treasurer  
Jenny Montgomery, Secretary  
Cole Hickerson, Student Council Rep  
Tom Mullally, Boosters  
Kim Klebe  
Cathy Kruger  
Audra Christenson, SCN Principal

Meeting commenced by Co-Presidents at 7:00pm

Today's quote to start the meeting:

**“Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better.”** - Maya Angelou

- Secretary's report by Jenny Montgomery:  
Amend and submit last month's meeting minutes. Minutes approved.
- Treasurer's Report by Marisol Acevedo: Financial statements were distributed as were previous month's transactions, all were reviewed. Treasure's reports for both November and December were approved.
- Student Council report by Cole Hickerson: The winter dance is coming up on February 20th. It will be titled the Winter Wonderland Dance. Student Council will be requesting PTO for volunteers who can help supply cookies and water and a few to be there the night of the dance. Ticket sales will be the 16th - 19th. The dance will be from 8:00 - 11:00 pm. The senior class hosted the "2nd annual Super Hero Breakfast" on December 12th. Fun was had by all.
- \* Co-President's Report: **Save the Date** for Wednesday, June 1st, 2016 for an all-star event at Cougars stadium. PTO is sponsoring an exciting event which will include the whole of North Star community. Planning will officially start after finals are finished. Jane plans to have a table at tomorrow's night "Incoming Freshman" night. We are hoping this will prove a great opportunity to educate new parents to the PTO. Jane will have her computer for those who want to sign-up. Tom suggested that in the spring Boosters, PTO and other organizations

should sit down to discuss a calendar of fundraising events. The goal being that with better communication within the groups, there could be less overlap in selling items at North. The PTO dues will be raised next year from \$20.00 to \$30.00. This has been ok'd by the district. Food night at Potbellys went well.

- Principals Report by Audra Christenson: March 15th the ACT will be taken by juniors at North. There has been some discussion on switching to the SAT but for this year it will still be the ACT. Like last year, some students will be given intervention to help prepare for the test. This is based on their pre-ACT test last year. The students have already been informed and this year it will be *both* math and reading. The PARCC test will be held the first full week of April. It will take place all on-line. The Bullying Prevention Task Force will participate in the HOPE assembly taking place in February. "LEARNSTORM" is an on-line math challenge through Khan Academy. Kane county is one of 5 counties selected to participate in this program. It will include 3rd grade - 12th grade. It is optional work for the students interested but they will be given guidance at school. This will start at the end of January and run through April. Math teachers will be talking about this with the students as the date gets closer.
- New Business/Looking ahead: Project Dance will be held at North on Saturday, February 27th from 1-5. PTO has been asked to provide a few volunteers to be at the dance. Tanis will be in touch to let us know exactly what she needs from us. PTO will be selling Butterbraids in February. Ideally we hope it can all be done through the SCN PTO website. Post prom planning will begin soon. There will be a meeting at Christ Community Church on January 25th at 6:30pm. Tom will be sending out an email to get people involved. The Wizard of Oz is this year's prom theme.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm