

TOMCAT BRIDGEBUILDERS' MEETING MINUTES

May 7, 2014

Trimble High School Library

Members present: Keller Blackburn, Jay Barrett, Megan Exline, Kathy Hecht, Bryna Ramsey, Jeff Ross, Sharon Short, Officer Rodney Smith, Svea Maxwell, Kathy Trace, and Mandy Wright

Ms. Trace called the meeting to order.

1. Mr. Blackburn spoke about recent drug dealer arrests. Officer Smith said there would be more arrests in the future. Mr. Blackburn said there will be a Community Justice meeting at the Community Center on June 3rd at 7:00pm. Mr. Blackburn discussed the Fresh Start fund for treatment through the Athens Foundation.

2. Ms. Hecht spoke about running for County Auditor and is willing to assist with tracking down property liens to be able to clean properties.

3. Other

1. Athens Foundation Update

Youth were escorted to a Youth Led Rally for “We are the Majority”. A Facebook page is being created and a retreat would be held in the fall at the school.

2. Parent Advisory Committee” Start Talking” May 12th: Ms Short said there will be a “Start Talking” presentation at 6:00pm on May 12th at the high school cafeteria and would include speakers.

3. The Peanut Butter and Jelly Project distribution will be every Thursday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. starting June 12th and lasting through July 31st .

4. Parent letters and applications were sent to middle and elementary school students for the Food Bank food boxes. Our school has 150 slots available and they will be awarded on a first come, first served basis. Boxes will be distributed during the PB&J project on Thursdays.

5. During this time, fresh local produce from CFI and some of the 16,000 canned goods donated to us by Ohio University Greek Life will also be distributed.

6. Kristin “KC” Waltz will be taking Tom’s place as the new Athens County Children Services supervisor starting June 18th.

7. Summer youth work applications for HAPCAP are being distributed.

4. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is June 4, 2014