

PTSO Meeting Minutes
Meeting November 21, 2019 UHS Media Room

Present: Neera Bhatia (Co-President), Molli Hamilton (Vice President), Megan Zeni (Treasurer), Mary Warden (Secretary), Sara Abbas, Kim Greene, Katrina Cimorelli, Jason Pauley, Melissa Farley, Erica Diaz, Sarah Gillespie, Debbie Mulhall, Bonnie Snider, Jennifer Lyons, Madison Wesolowsky

Welcome

Old Business:

- Approval of minutes from Sept 5 2019
- Discussion of Meet the Teacher tailgate: Several members thought the school should change the venue for next year. The student representative Madison Wesolowsky reported that the students liked the Back to School bash. Mrs. Greene states that they are planning to change the event for next year.
- PTSO second mailer was completed in October.

New Business:

Committee Reports:

1. Beautification-Julia Ramberg (chair) the committee provided mums and PTSO would like to provide the school with 4 wreaths for the holidays. Mary Warden proposed the donation for the wreaths and Megan Zeni seconded the motion. All were in favor.

2. Student Recognition (Jill Wolter was not present at the meeting) The pictures of Valedictorian and Salutatorian for past two years need to be hung on the Wall. The Class of 2020 will be the last year for Val and Sal.

--Melissa Farley is the chair of the Club Recognition Wall. Committee. Bonnie Snider is the PTSO representative. The committee had their first meeting. Mrs. Farley reports that they are trying to distinguish which clubs should be placed on the wall. The committee will plan to send out an email to see what recognition the various clubs would like to have represented. PTSO budgeted \$7000 for the Club Recognition Wall.

--Melissa Farley also suggested working on an Alumni Wall in the future. We will plan to budget for this wall in future.

- 3. Senior Class Activities** (Molli Hamilton chair) Molli Hamilton and the committee will work with the faculty in charge of senior activities (Rachel Burky and Kat Carroll) to host events for the senior class at the end of the year.

4. Facebook and Twitter: (Charmin Lorfald) Charmin Lorfald will continue to post important information on the Twitter and Facebook pages

- a. Twitter @PtsoUhs
- b. Facebook University High PTSO

5. Teacher Appreciation (Debbie Mulhall chair) – Debbie reported that PTSO has provided two meals for the teachers already. She used Papa Johns for the first event. The second event was catered by Krogers but Debbie had a difficult time working with Krogers. The next event will be scheduled in the winter.

6. Fundraiser (Sara Abbas/ Molli Hamilton) The second PTSO mailer was completed.

7. Enrichment – Sara Abbas has developed Career Enrichment. Several speakers have been scheduled.

1. Cate Schlobohm, Outreach Program Coordinator, Statler College of Engineering and Mineral Resources, WVU spoke Nov 14.
2. Timothy R. Linkous, Esquire of Linkous Law PLLC spoke Nov 18.
3. Sgt. Shane P. Civitillo of US Army spoke Nov 21.
4. Denice Kirchoff, Professor of Nursing at Fairmont State will speak on Dec. 3.
5. Robert Bridges, Curator, Art Museum of WVU will speak on Dec. 12.

8. Lucy Dreamweavers (Bonnie Snyder chair) Bonnie continues to send emails when items are needed.

Erica Diaz is working with the students from Workplace skills and she plans to have them go through the items and clean up the donations. There is an abundance of clothing. They will donate unwanted items to Christian Help.

9. LSIC-Jennifer Lyons went to the County wide meeting. Sarah Gillespie and Ryan Niceler have volunteered to join this committee.

Treasury update Megan Zeni reports current balance is \$ 29,250.18.

Administration report: Kim Greene has provided students with Schedule change request forms.

The school is planning to provide a practice SAT for 9, 10 and 11th graders through College board to give them experience. The practice SAT will be given to all of the students.

Mid terms were posted in Schoology today.

The school did a survey on Elective classes with the students. Tomorrow the students will spend the last two hours of day participating in four fun sessions in the afternoon that will include a talent show, Minute it to win it, a dance room and a Pie throwing contest.

Teacher Update: Melissa Farley is the VP of the University High Foundation, which provides funding for grants and educational items. The Foundation will be selling pies for a fundraiser. Orders are due by Dec 6th and they will be delivered Dec 18th. Neera will plan to forward the email to the PTSO members.

Student update: Madison Wesolowsky reports that Student council is growing in size. They were selling tickets for Pie throwing competition, which will occur tomorrow afternoon. They have created a Pep committee to get more school spirit in the school. Chick-fil-A wants to help promote leadership skills and plans to work with the Student council.

Bonnie Snider suggested that our Student council gets more involved on a State and National level. Mrs Farley will help look into this involvement.

Madison planned the Hawk Walk this year and it was very successful. She thinks Hawk Walk should be added to one of the committees.

Other items: Bonnie Snider presented the Bylaws. Copies were provided to all the individuals present at the meeting. The organization needs to review and update the Bylaws. We will plan to review these and further discuss them at the next meeting.

Prom is April 25th and Jessica Eades and Sam Young are the two teachers working on the Prom. Bonnie Snider and Molli Hamilton are recruiting additional parents to assist with the After Prom activities.

These ladies hope to secure the WVU Recreational Center for After Prom.

Next meeting January 16th at 6 PM and LSIC will follow the PTSO meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM

Need to email the minutes to Katrina.cimorelli@k12.wv.us