

April 12, 2022

PTSA Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order and Welcome

Beth Concannon called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. In attendance, Wendee Reedy, Jodi Pinkerton, Kelly Byrne, Jen Baxa, Casey Braun, Beth Concannon, Katerina Hickey, Lara Stavridis and Desen Lu.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Principal's Report

- Shahe Bagdasarian was not present, so Beth reported that the administration is still looking for volunteers for Post Prom.

4. Approval of Minutes

- Wendee made a motion to approve the March 7th meeting minutes and Lara seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed.

5. Treasurer's Report– Lara Stavridis

- We have over \$13,000 in the bank.
- A few members joined this month.
- After expenses, we should have just under \$6K at end of year and the target was \$5K. So, we'll be in good position.
- There were a few Senior specific donations totaling \$150.

6. President's Report – Beth Concannon

- PTA Council meeting –
 - Katerina reported on the 2 presentations from the Council meeting
 - BAM Theater Presentation York alum is director
 - SEL – Social Emotional Learning presentation
 - Superintendent's update covered:
 - Powerschool changes
 - Staffing summer school programs
 - Most 205 buildings will have construction this summer
 - Intro new Director of Communications for D205
 - Reopened survey due to mailing issue with the post card
 - Having consistent membership dues across the district was not discussed due to time constraints.

7. Vice Presidents of Membership – Wendee Reedy reported

- A few new members came in.

- Note for next year that direct email thru Directory Spot is effective. Great idea to use for targeted communication. Wendee will talk to Julie Vacko about this.

8. Chair reports

- a. Newsletter – no report
- b. Co-Website Chairs – Casey Braun had no report
- c. Connections – Mimi Black – next meeting scheduled for Thursday, April 14; last meeting with Shahe Bagdasarian presenting went well
- d. Life After York Recap- Jodi Pinkerton was joined by her co-chairs (and next year's chairs), Kelly Byrne and Desen Lu to present feedback on the event
 - Over three hundred (maybe more with families at same email) people signed up and attended; all via zoom
 - Last minute changed from hybrid to virtual
 - There were twenty-five volunteer leaders and 8 different topics covered
 - They ran a survey to gather people's thoughts
 - Most popular was the college track program
 - Volunteer presenters effective
 - People were lining up to get involved
 - Transitions were great with professional meeting facilitator, Heather; went very smoothly; there was much behind the scenes put in
 - Over 60% of people said they would like to keep virtual; less than 5% wanted in person
 - Students were included in the process (from freshmen to senior); some helpful information even for the younger kids; some were even from middle school
 - Some past topics were combined so it went from five topics down to four based on pre-event survey
 - Over 70% high-level of satisfaction with 90% in top two choices
 - This program is really filling a gap in the system as far as educating families about options.
 - Mostly due to the work they did with support for virtual program, the total cost was about \$1,000 (less the \$360 we already contributed) and next year this could probably be brought down to \$600. The co-chairs requested that PTSA cover this cost this year and would appreciate any additional support we can offer.
 - Pre-event planning (for hybrid) - \$393.75
 - Pre-event planning – call, email (for remote) - \$373.75
 - Event pilot - \$162.50
 - Co-pilot - \$137.50
 - We discussed possible ways to share the cost of this. Ultimately, since this is such a valuable event that is in line with our goals, we decided to honor the request and cover the additional cost.
 - Lara made motion to increase budget by \$707.50; Katarina offered the second. All were in favor and the motion passed.

- NOTE: budget discussion for next year- the chairs anticipate the cost will be approximately \$600 for whole event.
- e. Duke Decision Day – Jodi Pinkerton
- Coming up on May 2
 - Volunteers poured in and there is a waitlist to get involved.
 - There are almost 700 seniors but there are only 300 give away pens left from years past. Buying new ones would cost \$.60 per pen. Decision was made not to purchase more.
 - Yard Signs – Jodi will research. She will connect with Drew. The signs will be distributed on Decision Day.
- f. Scholarships
- Beth reported for Teri Ford that twelve scholarships will be awarded, and they will be announced at Awards Night.
- g. Staff Appreciation Week – Stacey Roginski
- Dates are May 2-6
 - Breakfast on Wednesday will be catered; Working on menu likely with Courageous Bakery; want to keep local.
 - There will be raffle items as well.
- h. Post Prom Volunteers – Beth Concannon
- Have a couple volunteers but more are needed.
9. Unfinished Business
- a. Parking spot raffle – Wendee Reedy reported the details of the PTSA raffle
- PTSA will sell 150 tickets at \$100
 - Must be a PTSA member to purchase
 - Can buy 1 ticket per member
 - Can join up until the Sunday before
 - The drawing will take place on the 25th; Drew or Shahe will do the actual drawing.
 - Free waitlist over 150
- Advertising will begin tomorrow, April 13 on website. On Thursday, it will be in the newsletter as well as announced at the Connections meeting. The raffle will go live at 10 a.m. on Monday the 18th. All done through Member Hub, and they will have between tomorrow and Monday to become a member.
- b. Nominating Committee - Beth Concannon announced the slate
- i. President – Katerina Hickey (would commit for two years)
 - ii. VP Pres Elect – this is still open, but Lara Stavridis agreed to consider it if we find someone to take over as President after Katerina
 - iii. VP Connections - Renee Pas
 - iv. VP Membership - Julie Vacko (she would like a co-chair also)
 - v. VP Events – Wendee Reedy
 - vi. Secretary – Jen Baxa

vii. Treasurer – Lori Harges

This will be posted for 30 days and the vote will take place at next PTSA meeting.

10. New Business

- a. PTSA has a FB page with 140 subscribers; last post was years. After discussion, the overall feeling was that we should not keep it active.

11. Adjournment Lara and Casey motion to adjourn 8:30