



## ATHENS PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

<https://athens.troy.k12.mi.us/athens-pto-page>

### Sept 7, 2022 7pm Minutes

Attendance: Colleen Geyer, Shawn Lavetter, Mary Frederick, Kristin Kennaugh, Christine Pilato, Megan Henry, Mike Munaco, Karen Hun, Lynnea Baron, Erin Snyder, Michelle Berryhill, Edsel Obra, Ed and June Bunao, Ami Shah, Maddie Lorenz, April Keszo, Shawn DuFresne, Lisa Oakes, Kate Fellin, Chris Thomack, Marc Emerson, Kristy Osterlund, Janet and Thomas Matichuk, Susan Holle, Mohaned Khudher, Wendy Essenburg, Anne Sackrison, Ryan Quinn, April Bucknell, Kenyann Witherspoon, Jeannie Levy, Ganesh Rajendran, Marti Steiner, Lisa Hanmer, Stephanie Miller, Bindu Sundaram, Jyl Boehms, Oana Barbu, Renee Zaits, Srini Simhan, Pala, Mark Moebus, Laura Saleski, LaTonya ??, Puspita ?, Aaron ?, Erica Rolack, Evangeline Tosoro, Kerry Kropa, Mrs. A?, Pierre Jr?,

1. Call to Order at 7pm
2. Introductions: PTO Board - Colleen Geyer - Co-President, Tara Colussi - Co-President, Mary Frederick - VP, Shawn Lavetter - Treasurer, Kristin Kennaugh - Secretary
3. Additions/Deletions to Agenda - None
4. Reports
  - a. Christine DiPilato - TSD Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Instruction District Update with Bond Proposal
    - Find more information here: <https://www.troy.k12.mi.us/bond-2022>
    - Dates for upcoming meetings
      - **Wed, Sept 21st - 10am-11am Troy Public Library, 510 W. Big Beaver Rd.**
      - **Wed, Sept 28th - 10am-11am Troy Public Library, 510 W. Big Beaver Rd.**
      - **Wed, Oct 5th - 6pm-7pm, Troy Community Center (meet in main lobby) 3179 Livernois Rd.**
      - **Wed, Oct 12th - 10am-11am Troy Public Library, 510 W. Big Beaver Rd.**
      - **Wed, Oct 19th - 10am-11am Troy Public Library, 510 W. Big Beaver Rd.**
  - b. Principal - Megan Henry and Mike Munaco - APs
    - Most communicated by Dr. Dixon in Newsletter
    - 1st 10 days have been wonderful, best start yet!!



- Club/Activities fair went well (thank you Ms. Henry)
  - Sept 14th - Open House 6:30-8pm - hope to see you there
  - Ms. Henry introduces herself (from RO District) - Welcome!
  - Special Education - Dr. Dixon to oversee but each of APs will also have a section of the caseload (team approach)
  - Questions: none
- c. Teacher Representatives - Mr. DuFresne
- 3rd year as Teacher rep and 27th year at Athens
  - Homecoming - Sept 19th - much information posted on Schoology
  - Monday Sept 19th Powderpuff Football Game - Juniors vs Seniors
  - Various Spirit Days - overall Theme is Disco - see communications for details
  - Class Shirts will be available for sale that week to wear Thursday
  - Parade 5:30 Friday, Game at 7pm
  - Dance 6-9pm in Athens Gym - tickets available on SchoolPay for \$20; there will be a photobooth, games, food, etc
  - SUG to help with coat check, snacks, Parent Volunteers:  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d4baaaa2faa8-20221>
  - Thank you to the kids on StuCo for putting this all together
  - Look for email blasts; encourage students to ask Mr. DuFresne, AP Henry or anyone with questions
  - Successful Club Fair - most are forming and recruiting new members; stop in AP office to find out information
- d. Secretary
- i. Previous Meeting Minutes – Review & Approve - Ami Shah and Renee Zaits
- e. Treasurer (Shawn Levatter)
- i. Proposed Annual Budget for 2022-23 – Can be found on the website
  - ii. Thank you to those who have Sponsored already
  - iii. Goal is for monies is to be used that year or very soon
  - iv. Motion to approve - Marc Emerson and Wendy Essenberg
- f. Vice President (Mary Frederick)
- Nothing to report
- g. President (Colleen Geyer and Tara Colussi)
- i. Student Scholarship update - those directly affected were email
  - ii. Board has voted to phase out
  - iii. Historically a way to drive Volunteerism; now this is not an issue
  - iv. Most scholarships were awarded to PTO Board member kids
  - v. Those awarded last year will be grandfathered in will be eligible for this year and then it is done
  - vi. No questions asked



5. Old Business - none
6. New Business
  - a. SANP - Wendy Essenburg
    - Revived last year after Covid pause
    - Looking for current Senior and/or underclass parents to take over
    - Great experience!
    - Completely parent run, not school sponsored or PTO sponsored
    - We need a new Leader(s)!!
    - Contact Wendy with any questions - [wendy484@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wendy484@sbcglobal.net)
    - Wendy and team did an incredible job last year especially given it hadn't happened in 2 years - lots of info provided
    - Some people are committed to coming back
7. Open Discussion
  - Good number of committee chairs for PTO - see below
  - Need Chairs for Student Appreciation, TFEE basket, if interested please let us know!!
  - Any help needed in purchasing HoCo Dance tickets - please let Mr. DuFresne or Ms. Henry know - want everyone to go and do not want monetary issues to hold anyone back
8. Committees, Chairs & Where help is needed:
  - a. Homecoming Dance - see above under Teacher Rep notes  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080D4BAAA2FAA8-20221>
  - b. Please consider Sponsorship for PTO - \$20 per family; feel free to use Square or send in check to the office  
  
<https://athens-high-school-pto.square.site/>
  - c. Will make a huge difference in our year - most proud of the fact that we sponsor ALL of the building, not just teachers; we support the kids, ALL staff
  - d. There will be a table at Open House - Colleen will be there for any questions and sponsorship donations - cash or check (Mr DuFresne to send info to Teachers to remind kids before Open House)
  - e. Mr. Burns is working on Video to show how your donations are used



Committee / Event (in approximate order of timing)	Committee / Event Chairperson (s)	Board point of contact
Financial Review Committee	Marti Steiner	Shawn Lavetter
Restaurant Nights	Ami Shah; Becky Dominguez	Mary Frederick
Fall Mum Sale	Colleen Geyer & Kristin Kennaugh	--
Updating of the website	Ami Shah	Mary Frederick
Giving Tree	Janet Matichuck	Tara Colussi
Drive 4UR School	Ami Shah	Colleen Geyer
November Conference Staff Dinner	Kristy Osterland & Jennie Levy	Kristin Kennaugh
Staff Appreciation Week	Colleen Meobus	Mary Frederick
PTO Scholarships	Renee Zaits	Colleen Geyer
Student Appreciation Event	NEED HERE	Tara Colussi
Supply Drive	Colleen Geyer & Tara Colussi	--
TFEE Basket	NEED HERE **have some items in the PTO closet to start a basket.	Colleen Geyer
Charity Week Carnival Booth	Marc Emerson and Marti Steiner	Colleen Geyer

9. Adjournment @ 8:07pm

Meeting Schedule: Sept 7, Oct 12, Nov 9, Jan 11, Feb 8, Mar 8, April 12, May 10

**September via zoom; remainder of the year in person unless otherwise advertised.**