

# AJH PTO Meeting Minutes

January 6, 2023

9:30 am

**Meeting called to order at 9:50 am by President, Darcie Parsons**

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** Friday, February 3rd at 9:15am

**Principal:** Mr. Gibson apologized that he was out sick at the last meeting.

- He is always concerned with safety. He said that the monitors have radios and apologized that they were not given sooner, as he was trying to not spend the PTO money.
- Update on the outdoor pad area
  - With possible building expansion, they do not want to be wasteful of money, so he suggested looking at several options while we wait on bids.
    - Mr. Gibson will try to get dates on when bids are going out by February's PTO meeting.
    - The PTO could decide to buy two basketball hoops to be put up by the soccer field, which will allow for space to play. These would be purchased through the District and then the PTO reimburse that cost. If basketball hoops are purchased now, they still can be purchased for the recess pad in the future.
    - He will talk with the Student Council, as suggested by Amanda Beres, for a wish list of five things the PTO can purchase in the meantime, such as GaGa Ball, 9 Square, etc.

**President:** Darcie Parsons ([ajhpto1@gmail.com](mailto:ajhpto1@gmail.com))

- Vote to waive the reading of minutes
  - Motion to waive the reading of the December 2022 minutes was made by Teri Burich. Motion was seconded by Claudia Lissette Pagán. Vote: all ayes, no nays.
  - Motion passed.**

**Vice President:** Amanda Beres

No updates

**Secretary:** Elizabeth Fought

- Please sign attendance sheet
- A newsletter will be emailed monthly to paid members to inform of upcoming events and news

**Treasurer:** Dawn Clappas

- Bank Balance: \$17,313.94
- Quickbooks balance: \$17,313.94
- Outstanding: \$0

Anyone can see the books any time, and she brought a page with December's purchases.

### **Committee Chairs & Co-Chairs**

- \* Must be a paid member and with a current student attending AJH
- \* Chair members that cannot attend a meeting should send an update to the PTO email address, and the President will share on your behalf.

### **Apparel Sale: CHAIR:** Amanda Beres

- Reminder fundraiser will be open all school year
- They may add summer items. Any ideas of any specific items, please share.

### **Dance: CHAIR:** Sherry Glass Strohsack

- Tentative dates Thursday, April 20th for 6th grade and Thursday, April 21st for 7th/8th grade, though all grades can be combined into one dance.
- 100% profit goes to the Student Council and Sherry will work with them in the planning.

### **Fundraisers:**

- **Chick-fil-A Spirit Night**
  - January 12th from 5-8pm with a member and a board member at the restaurant in time slots.
  - Anyone purchasing needs to mention AJH PTO for the PTO to get a portion of sales.
  - The flier will go on social media and be given out during Comet Pride.
  - Ziggys also offered a possible Dine To Donate
- **End of School Year Countdown Calendar Chair:** Teri Burich **Co-Chair:** Darcie Parsons and Heather Pearch
  - Sell a May calendar with daily winners during the month of May
  - Donations are needed, so a letter will be made and start making donation requests. Business advertising and donations will increase the fundraising potential.
  - Each day, there will be prizes worth over \$100, with the drawings Live Streamed.
  - The calendars will be sold during the month of April, and all money made will be used for PTO general funds.

### **Membership:** **CHAIR:** Jen Vrooman **Co-CHAIR:** Dawn Clappas

Families: 40                      Staff: 38

- The PTO will ask all the three grade levels as well as Mr. Gibson to include information in their newsletter

### **Social Media:** **CHAIR:** Jen Vrooman **Co-CHAIR:** Darnie Parsons

- If you need anything posted for Social Media, please let Jen know.
- Will share important information with each grade staff member that sends out newsletters

### **Staff Hospitality: Chair:** Elizabeth Fought & Dawn Clappas

- January: Snacks with "Thank you" messages on them
- February: Lunch on Thursday, February 16th with pizza and salad from Romeos, as an option, for Conference Day so all staff can enjoy

**Any other business:**

- Mr. Gibson said that the AJH magazine sales will happen again in February. Money raised by 6th and 8th grade will go towards general, and by 7th graders will go towards their DC trip. This is not a PTO fundraiser.
- The school is looking into a 6th grade Zoo field trip and is determining what is needed.

**Meeting adjourned at: 10:30 am by President, Darcie Parsons**

**Attendees:** Mr. Andrew Gibson, Dr. Amanda Messer (on Zoom), Darcie Parsons, Amanda Beres, Dawn Clappas, Teri Burich, Claudia Lissette Pagán, Jen Vrooman, Heather Pearch, and Elizabeth Fought