

PTA Meeting Agenda April 3, 2024

Attendance (in person): MeganThomas, Tami Coppler, Amy Jenkins, Brian Omalley-Gamrat, Samantha Walsh, Michelle Kish, Edith Adamson, John Adamson, Olesea Sizemore, Sara Reeder

Virtual Attendance: David O'Malley-Gamrat, Brianne Matteo, Cara Heisler, Natalie Hough, Courtney Lawton

Meeting called to order at 7:03pm by PTA President, Megan Thomas.

I. Welcome & Review of PTA focus: Our focus is to encourage and support a positive school environment with our students, staff, families and community as we strive to advocate for programs and policies that nurture students and education. We do this by volunteering our time while sponsoring and funding programs that enhance the educational and social experiences of all Crafton students.

II. President's Report completed by Megan Thomas

Vote to approve minutes from the March meeting

- **Michelle Kish motioned to approve, and Brian O'Malley-Gamrat seconded**

Board positions open for 2024-2025 - secretary

- Samantha Walsh has been nominated
- Voting will occur at May meeting

- **Need to confirm if all positions are open every year; do we need to vote every year, or automatically stay in position for 3 years?**

Monthly "newsletter" for April has been dropped off at the school

Successful Drop Off event on March 22 with Allegheny Ranger Program and PTA; **2 hour event, no cost for the Rangers; supplied pizza, games, snacks with entrance fee.**

Upcoming Fundraisers - Hoagies, Gift of Time, PTA Day (Tie Dye), Talent Show

Gift of Time - \$2 per ticket; live pull on FB; new options this year: fire truck to ride to school, police come in for breakfast

PTA completed the following (see pictures)

III. Treasurer's Report

March 2024 expenses:

- **None**

Money Profited by PTA In March 2024:

- Spring Book Fair (raffle basket sales, 50/50): \$573

- Jenny Lee Bread Sale: \$166
- Ranger Drop Off Event: \$194.15
- Birthday Shout Outs: \$65 – **question was asked, will this continue through summer? What about summer birthdays shout outs? Mrs. Burleson and Megan will meet and have an answer by next meeting.**
- PTA Day: \$28
- Jazzercise Adult/Child Class: \$195
- Jazzercise Class Packages: \$560
- Guilt Free Donation: \$20

Other:

- Spring Book Fair Sale profited \$2,956.39 to Crafton Elementary Library

April 2024 (as of March 30, 2024) starting account balance: \$10,019.05

IV. Principal's Report

Also available on the school district website. Thank you for teacher appreciation.

Characteristic trait this month is Trust; students asked to wear Yellow this Friday.

Reminder this Friday is the 6th grade kick ball fundraiser and pie in the face event.

Kindergarten registration – spread the word; will be starting community events soon

PSSA will occur on 4/22, 4/23, 4/24, 4/30 and 5/1. Kindergarten through 2nd grade will be remote these days. Schedule is posted on the school district website.

Our PSSA scores are the highest in the district.

1 test per day; usually in the morning; then assembly; play outside

On days that K-2 are present; the school pulls in extra staff from HS and substitute teachers; no parents are allowed to volunteer; only district employees

The elementary school is in need of new board games.

This is Mrs. Burleson's last year at Crafton Elementary. She will be moving the Junior HS beginning July 1st.

The school district is currently interviewing for a replacement; Mrs. Burleson has been involved in the process.

PSSA care packages will be offered again this year; parents can pick 5 or 6 items and write an encouraging message to their student; can email Holly Burnett for form.

V. Old Business

VI. New Business

6th Grade Committee Update - **Successful dance with Crafton and Carnegie students.**

Students participated in Comp U Solve last week.

6th graders are able to help out with stage crew/6th grade performance at the Talent Show.

April 26 - Talent Show - Brian will share progress.

- **41 students total; some are group acts**
- **Will sell glow in the dark items**
- **Students will be allowed in the audience when not on stage**
- **Stage crew does need parent permission google form to be completed.**
- **Monday is the “hard cut off” sign up date for show and crew.**
- **Will make a sign-up genius for talent show crowd control volunteers**
- **May have either Kona ice or Bruster’s Ice cream for rehearsal**
- **Dress Rehearsal on Thursday, April 25th. From 5:30 – 8 pm. Amy will complete the facility request.**

Volunteers Needed for: May 29 (May 31 Rain Day) - Fun Day –

- We’re looking for at least 10 volunteers – an email going out tomorrow, April 4th with additional information
- visit sign up genius.
- Be on the lookout for an Amazon Wishlist too.
- All volunteers must have the District Volunteer Packet and clearances submitted to the district **prior to May 1** in order to attend Fun Day.

Bring Your Child to Work Day is on April 25th; students will need a form for approval.

4/8/2024 – Eclipse Day; school district supplying glasses to all students and staff to protect their eyes

- **No one will be permitted outside during the peak time after 2pm.**

VII. Mark your Calendar

April 1 - April 12 Peppi’s Hoagies Fundraiser

April 5 from 6:00PM-8:00PM 6th Grade Kickball Event

April 15 - April 29 Gift of Time Fundraiser

April 16 - 7:00PM School Board Meeting at Jr/Sr High School

April 18 from 3:15PM-6:00PM Peppi’s Hoagies Pick Up

April 19 Chalk the Walk K-2 - PSSA Encouragement – **will need 2 volunteers; clearances will need to be completed by 4/10/2024 in order to volunteer for this event.**

April 19 PTA Day: Tie Dye Day \$2 Donation

April 22 May Birthday Shout Outs Due

April 23, 24, and 30 FID for K-2

April 26 - 7:30PM Talent Show at Jr/Sr High School \$5 Adult Admission - Free Student Admission

VIII. Reminders - Ways to support the school

Boxtops - keep scanning receipts

Guilt Free PTA Donation - accepted throughout the school year – **make sure to send donations in a sealed envelope with student's name and what the money is intended for**

IX. Parent Feedback/ Open Discussion

Tami was able to confirm per the bylaws: positions can be voted on every year; but no one will be allowed to be in one position for more than 3 years.