



TROY ATHENS PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

Wednesday, October 09, 2024 at 7:00 PM

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order-Sam called to Order
2. Introductions
3. Additions/Deletions to Agenda-None
4. Reports
 - a. Principal Report-Mr. Burden
 1. Important dates-preparing for MSTEp-NMSTQ-for Nationa Merit Scholars will be digital next week, timed but at a faster pace
 2. Digital readiness test was taken by juniors
 3. Tuesday evening 6pm-First Athens Family University. Beyond the PTO connection this is an opportunity for the admin team and families to connect and partner together. Will review new hall pass system, visitor management, powerschool tips and schoology usage, benefits.
 4. Starting tomorrow parent teacher conferences window closes at 9am. Thank you to the PTO for providing lunch/dinner to the staff.
 5. TSD created a culturally inclusive calendar to support all different cultures and celebrate holidays, more opportunities for the calendar to work for families. A student holiday on October 31st and November 1st, teachers will work on development but students will be allowed time in between terms. Staff will also learn more about cultures/holidays.
 6. Many exciting Fall Sports-MHSAA 1st round Varsity Boys Soccer, Girls Golf 3rd year League Champions,Regional Tennis, Swimming and Volleyball games starting.
 7. 30th day of school $\frac{1}{3}$ done with semester, $\frac{1}{6}$ done with the year, the year is flying by!
 8. Next Wednesday meeting with District Communications to review the website updates
 9. Celebrating Halloween the day before, no face masks or obstructions of the face.
 - b. Teacher Representative - Mr. DuFresne
 1. Very successful homecoming week! Great donations and volunteers at the actual event. Close to 1000 students attended the dance. Student council appreciates support!
 2. PowderPuff game was successful. Upset win by the Junior team!
 3. Great homecoming parade attendance.
 4. Mrs. Syme-Athens abroad program. For the next summer trip there is a waitlist to go to England, Ireland and Scotland. Reach out to be put on waitlist.
Spring break 2026-They are going to Thailand to do a service based trip with some time at an elephant sanctuary and helping at local schools.
June 2026 will be visiting World War 11 5 countries in 14 days. Go to the website or email Mrs. Syme directly.
 - c. Secretary
 1. Previous Meeting Minutes – Review & Approve -Motion to approve by Michele Murto and second by Mr. Burden

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2. Drive 4 school-We had 93 drivers and 82 completed the survey, earning the PTO \$1,640.

d. Treasurer

1. Proposed Annual Budget for 2024-25

1. Total current donations are \$7,625
2. Question about mums and additional fundraising. Did not feel the work was worth the amount we would make. Will work on restaurant nights but may be hard with competing events.
3. Motion to approve budget by Michele Murto-and seconded by Mr. Vernon Burden
4. Mr. Burden will talk about PTO donations at Athens Family University with the QR Code
5. PTO to send Mr. DuFresne the list of teachers that have donated

2. Donation update

e. President

1. Grants application deadline-Will send out to staff on Monday, October 14th and the deadline will be Tuesday, November 5th.

5. Old Business

1. School Supplies - PTO board provided essential school supplies

6. New Business

1. Fall Conference Staff Dinner
Will arrive around 3:00pm for the Athens Staff in the Staff Lounge.

7. Open Discussion

1. Dr. Machesky will be at the November 13th meeting

8. Adjournment

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