



Wednesday, February 12th, 2025

Welcome & Call to Order – President Kristen Miller called the meeting to order at 9:07am. 10 members in attendance.

Approval of November Minutes – Motion to approve made by Cheree Johnston, second by Beth Watson. Motion carries.

Officer's Reports:

President Report: Kristen Miller

- *PTO + Board of Education Meeting*
 - Dr. Hill and the Board of Education met with all PTO Presidents. They wanted a report from each building on what is happening, just a check-in. It was a very good meeting. A common concern from all PTO Boards is how difficult it is to get volunteers; everyone is working to increase member participation.
- *Class Fundraising update* - follow up from last meeting
 - Kristen spoke with Treasurer Doug Beeman about the class fundraisers from grade/middle school. Each class does have an account that helps with Prom expenses when they are Seniors. Typically, the account is funded through t-shirt sales in grade/middle school (Class of XXXX t-shirts).
- *Staff Appreciation* – PTO completed 2 staff appreciation events since our last meeting:
 - In December we placed baskets of treats in the staff break rooms.
 - Grizzly Grinds Coffee Cart on Jan 31st. The Grizzly Grinds Coffee Cart is a job training opportunity for special needs students at the High School. PTO paid for the coffee and provided cold beverages and cookies. The students managed the cart. Both students and staff had a fun time and enjoyed some social time around the cart.
- *Clinic stock up*
 - Guidance approached the PTO to help stock clothing (shirts, sweats, socks, underwear, etc.) for students who are in need. We used the Grizzly Grab-N-Go funds to purchase these items.
 - Dr. Suber said that the school can replenish items as they are distributed, but the initial investment from PTO was very appreciated.
- *Winter Formal sign up* - sending out this weekend
 - PTO will send out a signup genius for the Coat Check at Winter Formal. Watch for the link in the Weekly Update and on the PTO Facebook page.

Treasurer: Betsy Painting

- *Cavs night* – Have not received any money from CAVS night yet - should see it in April.
 - Christi Urbanek oversees the program and stated that the money will be divided by all the buildings and the choir department this year.
- We have raised \$800 from membership and donations (not including any donation marked for a specific activity). Our expenses have been \$700 so far this year.
- Upcoming expenses include insurance payment, staff lunch, transportation lunch, and fine arts festival.

Secretary: Cathy Loveless

- PTO Meeting Minutes are sent to Mrs. Kershaw who adds them to the PTO page on the High School website.

Principal Report: Dr. Vincent Suber

- There will be basketball semi-final games held at the high school (that we are not participating in) at which PTO can sell programs (potentially) and host a 50/50 raffle.
 - Feb 26 – games at 6:00 and 8:00 and March 1 – game at 1:00.
 - Dr. Suber will get raffle tickets and check on programs (programs are typically provided free of charge and we can set a price ourselves).
 - Kristen Miller will send out a signup genius for volunteers. We will need 2 for the program table and 2-4 for the 50/50 raffle.
 - Dr. Suber asked if the PTO would also like to host the concession stand. After discussion we decided not to take on the concessions as we felt it would be hard to supply the food/drinks for that day, as well as difficult to recruit enough volunteers.
- The Administration staff will be moving to the High School to allow the current Administration Building to be used for Grizzly Academy. They will be moving into the 1200 hallway. There are available classrooms and spaces (some teacher positions will not be filled due to attrition).
- The room next to the Athletic Office (with the window) will be converted to a “store” room. Grizzly Grinds Coffee will be setup in there to sell coffee, tea, and snacks (chips, bars, etc.) to students during lunch periods. This will free up the kitchen to offer hot snacks (ex: soft pretzels and cheese). There will also be Grizzly Gear available at the store. This will be used as a job training opportunity for our special needs students.
- Winter formal is March 1. All students must be in good standing to attend. The staff will work with any student to help get them to good standing so they can attend the dance.
 - Good standing: final forms complete, passing all classes, school fees are being addressed (if a student has a balance the administration will work with them on paying it down), discipline must be served, and no unexcused absences (administration will work with students who have attendance concerns).
 - Tickets can be purchased next week. Watch the Weekly Update for the link.
- Testing begins in April.
 - Juniors will be taking the ACT test at the high school on March 6. Freshman, Sophomores, and Seniors are off that day. Seniors who are in a Compact Program will report to their respective programs that day.
 - This year all state testing days will be delayed start. If a student is scheduled for testing that day, they will arrive by 7:35 like normal, all other students will arrive by 9:35.
 - ELA testing will be before Spring Break, the remainder will be after Spring Break.
- Junior banquet will be on April 26.

New Business:

- *Bloodmobile* - February 27th – Cathy Loveless will send out signup genius for donations.
- *Teacher Appreciation Week* - May 5th - May 9th
 - PTO will provide lunch on May 7. Staff lunch period is 10:45 am – 12:00 pm.
 - Kristen Cole will coordinate the lunch. The meal will be a baked potato bar with pulled pork, drinks, and desserts.
 - PTO can decorate (Tropical Theme) in the Media Center anytime that morning. Just let Dr. Suber know when you arrive.
- *Open Board Member positions for 2025/2026*
 - PTO needs a Secretary and Treasurer for the next school year.
 - Cheree Johnston volunteered to be Secretary.
 - Please let a board member know if you are interested in being Treasurer.
 - We hope to vote for both positions at our April meeting.
- *Fine Arts Festival* – Betsy Painting will coordinate our donation.
- *Transportation Lunch* – We provide a monetary donation to help with the expenses.
- *After Prom update*
 - Lotto tickets were a great fundraiser. After Prom made about \$7,000 on the event. (Sell tickets for \$10 each, assign each ticket a 3-digit number, check the number against the Ohio Lotto Pick 3 drawing Monday – Saturday for a specific period or time. Payout is \$100 a day).
 - Bingo Night is coming up at the Eagles. Tickets are \$25. There are 10 large prizes donated (yeti cooler, grill, etc.), winning Bingo card wins a prize.
 - After Prom will also sell graduation balloons.
 - They are on their way to covering all expenses.
- *PTO Storage at the High School* – Dr. Suber will find a location for PTO to store some items at the high school. Mostly need a place for paper products (plates, cups, napkins, utensils) to be used for staff appreciation events.
- Melissa Myers asked if there is a place where school dance/event dates are posted at the beginning of the school year. Dr. Suber said they are on the activities calendar on the webpage.
 - PTO will look at publishing those dates on our PTO page the next school year.

Next Meeting will be Wednesday, April 9, 2025, at 9:00AM in the Grizzly Den.

- Agenda Items:
 - Review and approve updated Bylaws
 - Review proposed 2025/2026 Budget
 - Vote on new Board Members
 - Any new ideas for activities during the 2025/2026 school year?

Motion to adjourn meeting by Betsy Painting, second by Cheree Johnston. Motion passed at 9:57am.

Respectfully submitted: Cathy Loveless