

Upper St. Clair High School
PTSO General Meeting
Wednesday, May 7th, 2025
9:30am - 10:30am
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Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

Staff Delegate Reports

Mrs. Brooke Tarcson - Student Council/Student Activities

- UTHON successful, thankful for breakfast donations, goal exceeded: raised over \$35,000 and the goal was \$25,000
- Decision Day moved to Friday 5/9, seniors can wear shirt showing where they are heading/kickoff for end of year senior events
- 5/13-14 Keystones for underclassmen
- 5/13 seniors get caps and gowns and at 9:30 have a senior parade at elementary schools...2nd year because last year was so successful!
- 5/14 senior breakfast followed by mandatory senior meeting to get details about prom, senior banquet, graduation, get all answers for remainder of year
- 5/17 community day; fun run start and ends at high school - student council involved a lot; schedule can be found on USC webpage www.twpusc.org or information page on USCSD web page; today 5/7 is final day to sign up for groups marching in parade - contact Mrs tarcson
- Senior Banquet at Valleybrook CC - filled with memories and dancing
- 5/29-5/30 Pickleball tournament/seniors last day
- Graduation week

Dr. Jennifer Kirk - Counseling Department

- End of year going on: course selection going on for 2025/2026, counselors working through meeting with students if conflicts, Mrs Stocklein and Dr Wagner master schedule is great!
- Parkway admissions underway
- Mental Health awareness month - hope squad doing activities, PJ day coming up, natural helpers also doing activities and will have a booth at community day
- Awards night coming up for jr/sr - invite only
- Activities for juniors coming up application workshop, naviance review, career counseling, etc
- Partner Up - Super Day - for kids who will be moving right to work force, PNC, Verizon, GE, AHN, AE - 3 kids who interviewed

- Exams in the final month
- Applications: 3053 apps to 411 different institutions this year for seniors

Dr. Daniel Beck - Assistant Principal

- Exchange programs successful/
- MYP
- Remake learning activities growing and crossing different age groups is cool
- CMU partnership - learning a lot to intentionally teach

Dr. Cara Senger - Assistant Principal

- Defended her Thesis! - focus was on new students to district in high school; many new aspects will be included in staff and student orientation for future
- STARS event - Life skills students full day soccer event, 6 schools represented
- Thank you for staff appreciation meal
- Dean's List celebration from all winners through the year, brought a friend who the students would have nominated
- Looking forward to next few weeks to celebrate students at their activities and graduation

Executive Board Reports

2nd Vice President - Dr. Tim Wagner

- Grant writing: Doug Kerchner applied for moonshot grant and application is moving to next phase - focuses on civic engagement and encourage kids to look outward
- Present any ideas or connections to admin if you see things that you think should be happening here at USC
- Early dismissal 12:45 pm 6/5 for 8th graders to walk schedules
- 6/6 final day - current 9-11 grades will walk through schedule and early dismissal 11:20 am

1st Vice President - Irena Konstantinovskaya

- Two candidates for VP and Secretary, need one more for Treasurer?
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- Planning budget - will be presented for voting in the next month

Treasurer - Lata Bhaskar-Misra

- Healthy balance carrying over to next year

Membership - Val Franks - no report

President - Bharath Bangalore

- **Staff Appreciation Day (April 29):** successful! Led by Michele Mandler
- **Community Day (May 17):** Student Council representatives will provide updates at the March meeting. A 5K walk/run is being reinstated, and sponsorship opportunities may be available.
- Budget and new members will be sent out for vote this month

Committee Reports

School Board Representative - Dr. Daphna Gans

- Budget - final vote in June; mindful with tax increases and decrease in funding
- Curriculum recommendations at next board meeting

Adjournment